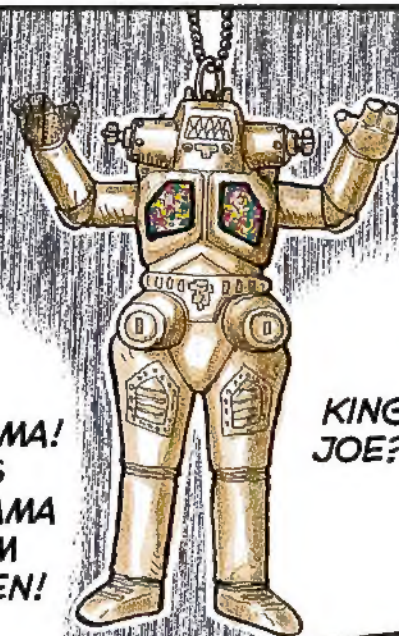




Y-YOU
BASTARD...
YOU THINK
YOU'RE
GONNA GET
AWAY WITH
THIS?

!!
KANAYAMA!
IT'S
KANAYAMA
FROM
HOUSEN!

KING
JOE?!



HMPH/
MORON
...



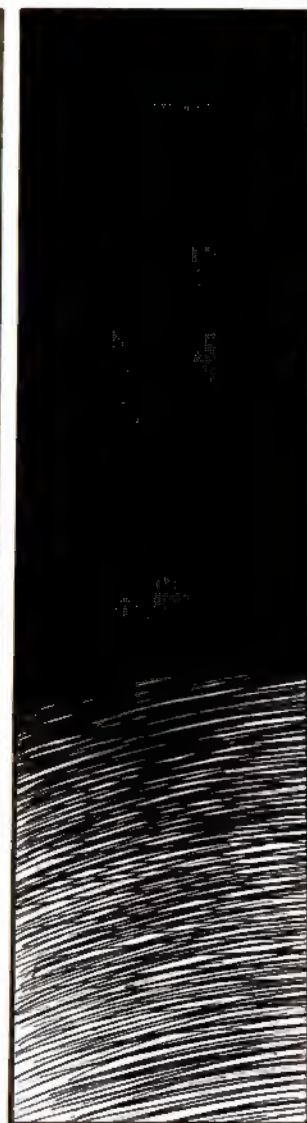


THE
KUROTAKE
ALLIANCE
AIN'T
WORTH
SHIT!

YA THINK
I'M GONNA
BACK OFF
JUST BECAUSE
OF YOUR
GANG'S
REPUTATION?

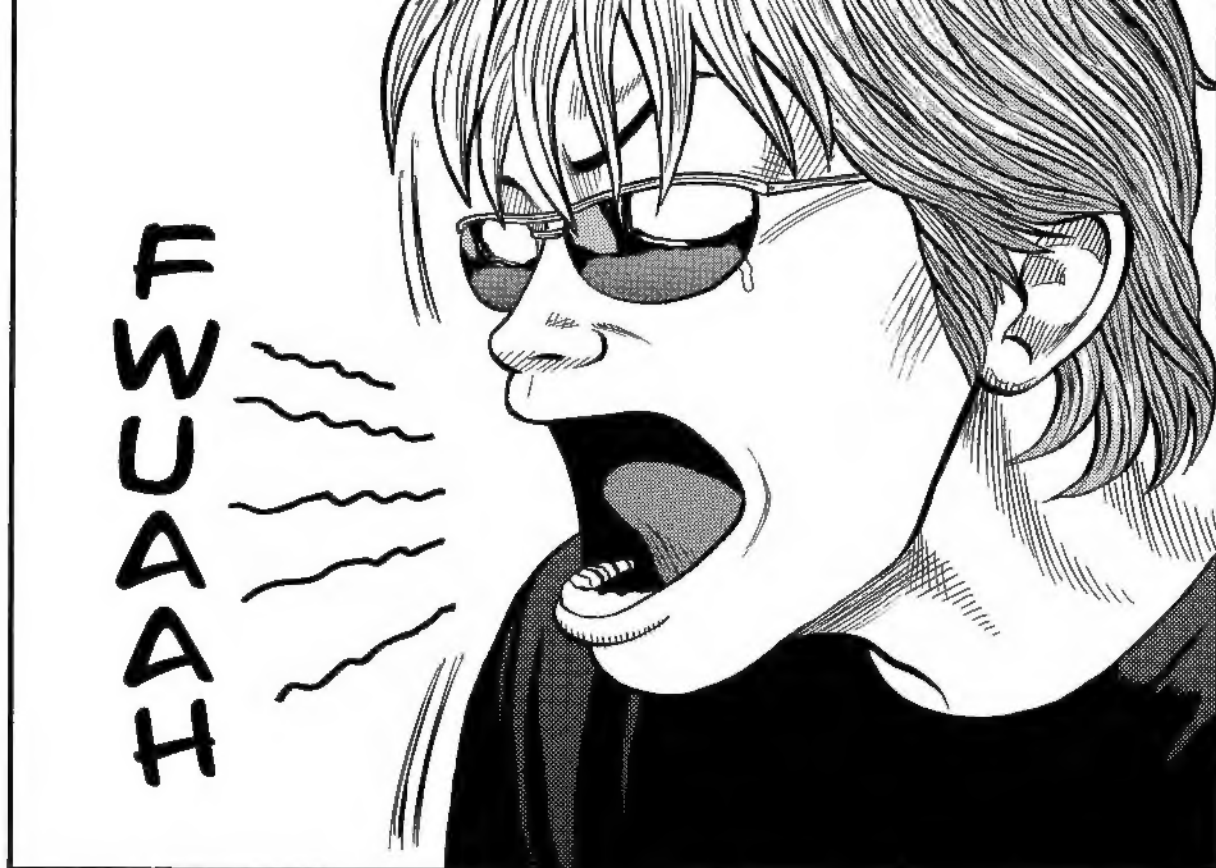
THAT DAY,
KING JOE TOOK OUT
TSUCHIYA YUTAKA AND
THREE OTHERS FROM
KUROSAKI INDUSTRIAL,
ONE OF THE MEMBER
SCHOOLS OF THE
KUROTAKE ALLIANCE.

THE TIME OF
PEACE WAS OVER.
THE "FIRST YEAR WAR,"
WHICH WAS TO MAKE
MASSIVE CHANGES
THROUGHOUT TOWN,
HAD BEGUN.





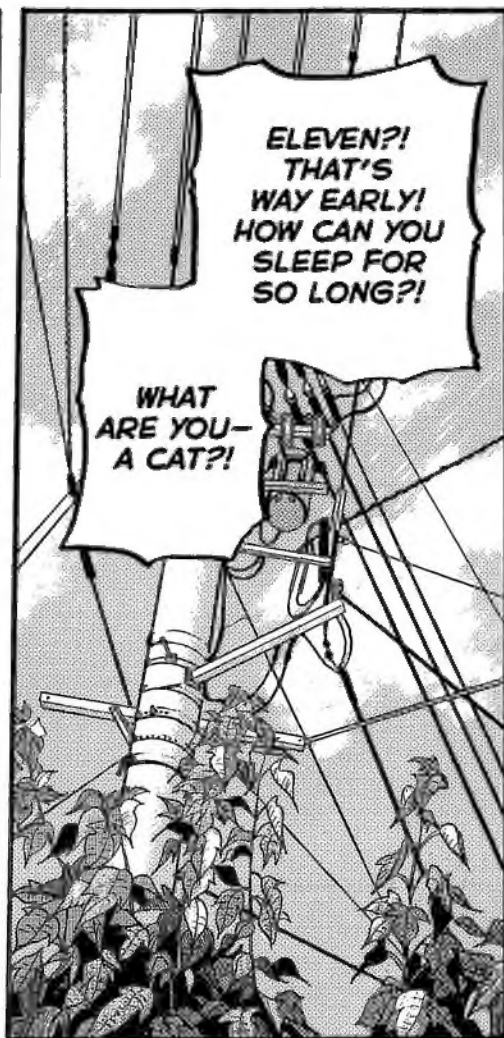
NO 77 KING JOE MAKES HIS MOVE





SO?
WHAT'D YOU
COME GET
ME FOR,
ANYWAY?

WELL...
NO REAL
REASON IN
PARTICULAR,
ACTUALLY,
IT'S JUST
THAT
...



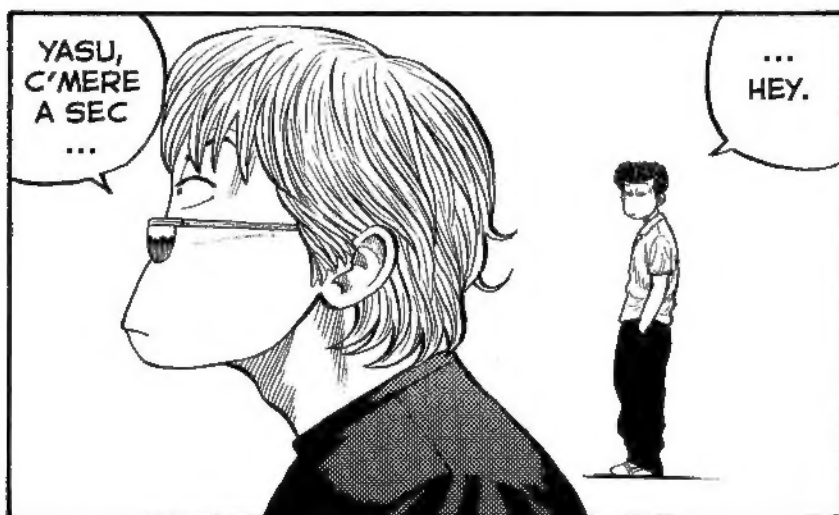
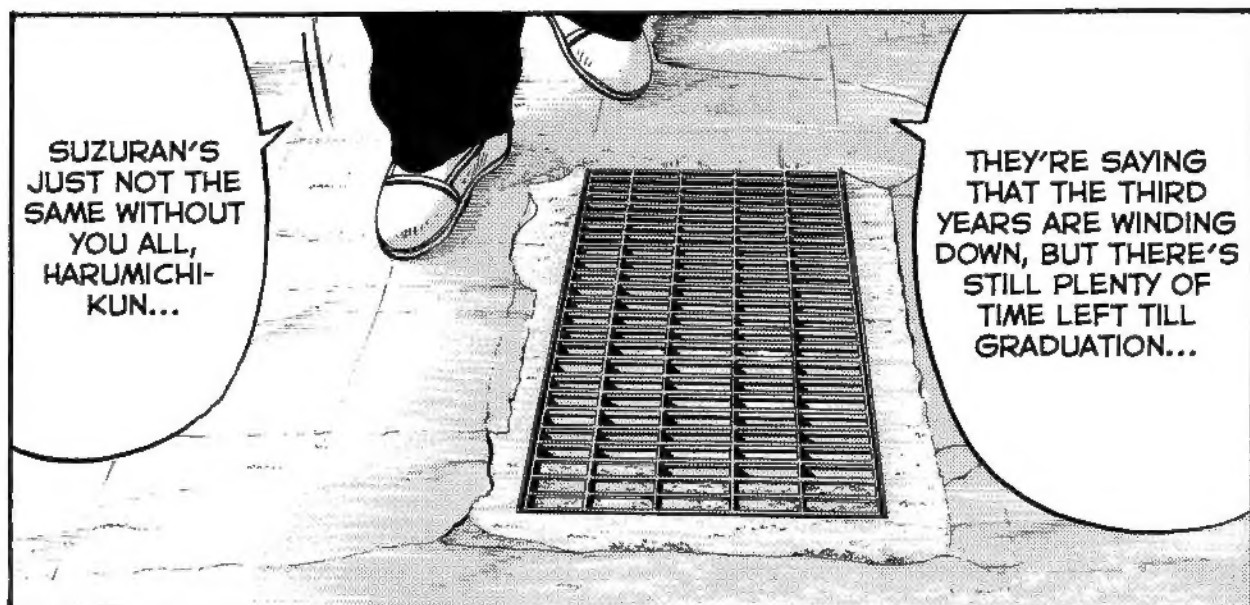
ELEVEN?!
THAT'S
WAY EARLY!
HOW CAN YOU
SLEEP FOR
SO LONG?!

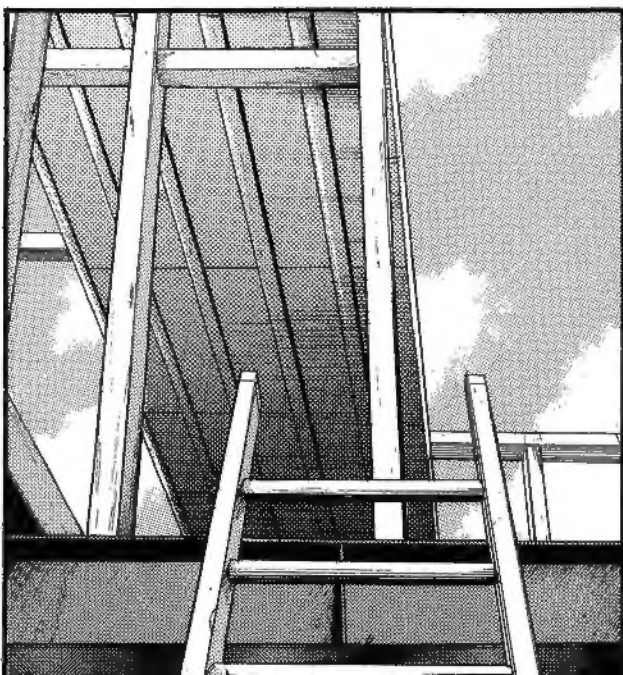
WHAT
ARE YOU-
A CAT?!

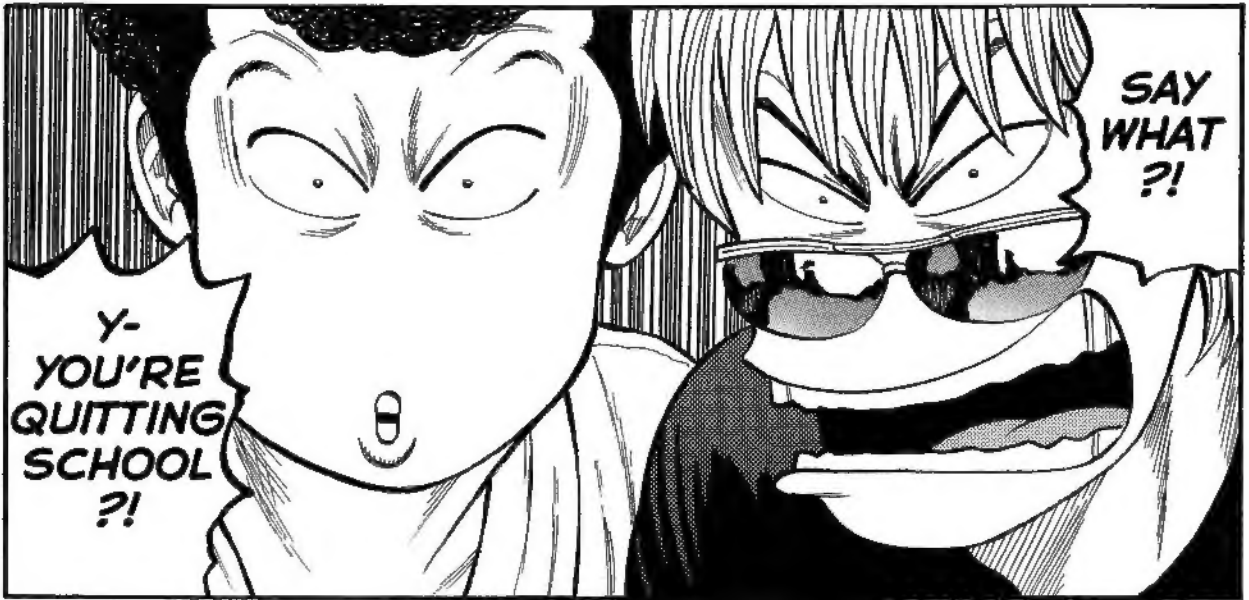


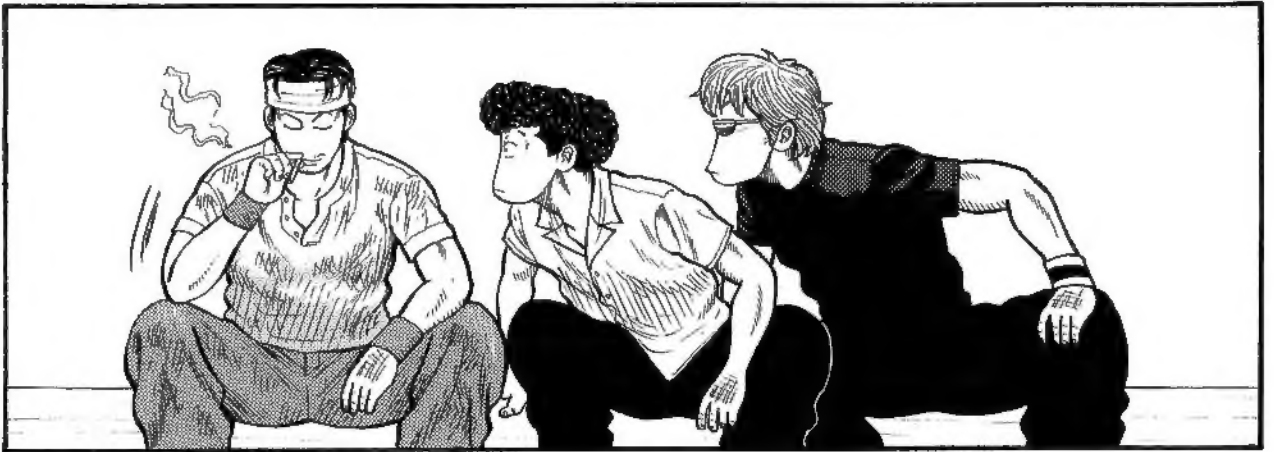
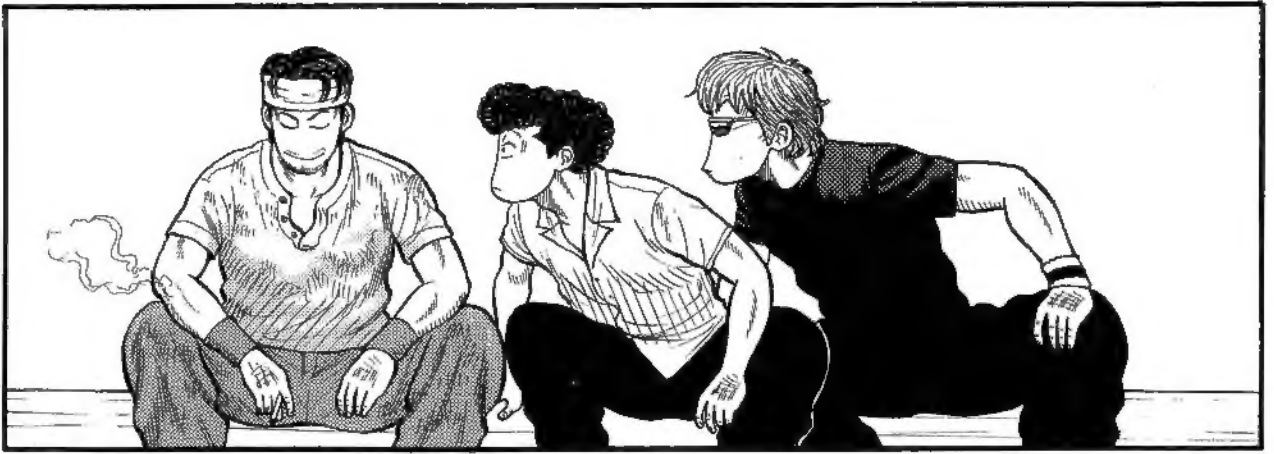
... BUT
YOU KNOW,
IT'S JUST
NO FUN ANY-
MORE, WITH
ONLY THE
TWO OF US
...

YOU SEE,
MAKOTO-SAN
HASN'T COME
TO SCHOOL AT
ALL LATELY...
AND HIROMI-SAN
AND THE OTHERS
NEVER COME UP
TO THE ROOF-
TOP ANYMORE
EITHER... SO
IT'S USUALLY
JUST ME AND
SAGAWA PLAYING
OLD MAID OR
SOMETHING...





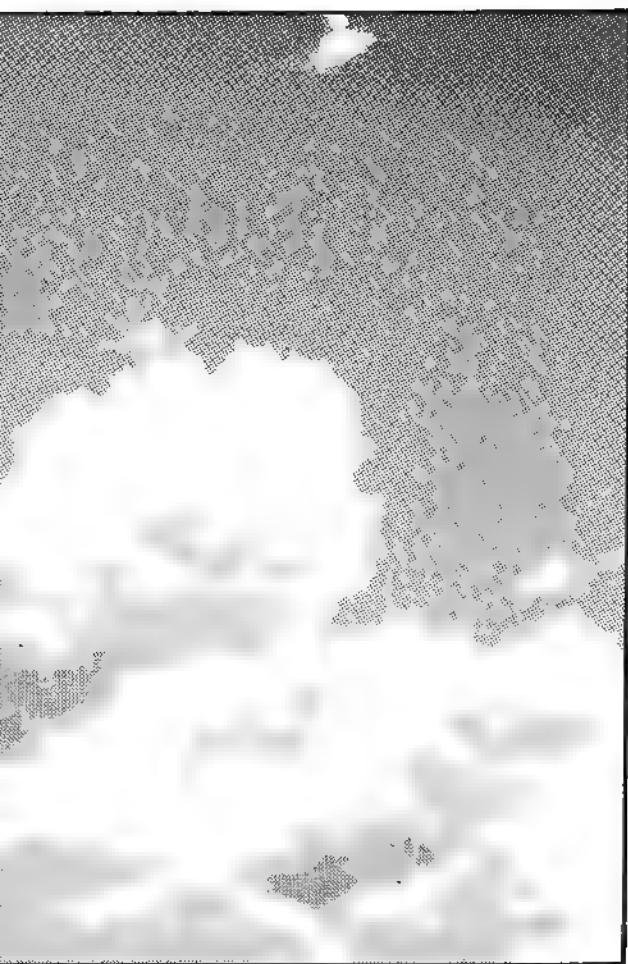






WELL, I'M NOT
ALL THAT SMART,
SO I DON'T KNOW IF
I CAN REALLY DO IT
OR NOT... BUT I'M
GONNA TRY MY BEST
AND MAKE A LIVING
AS ONE!

I WANT TO
GET INTO
THE BUILDING
BUSINESS...
BECOME A
CARPENTER!



!!

OH
...

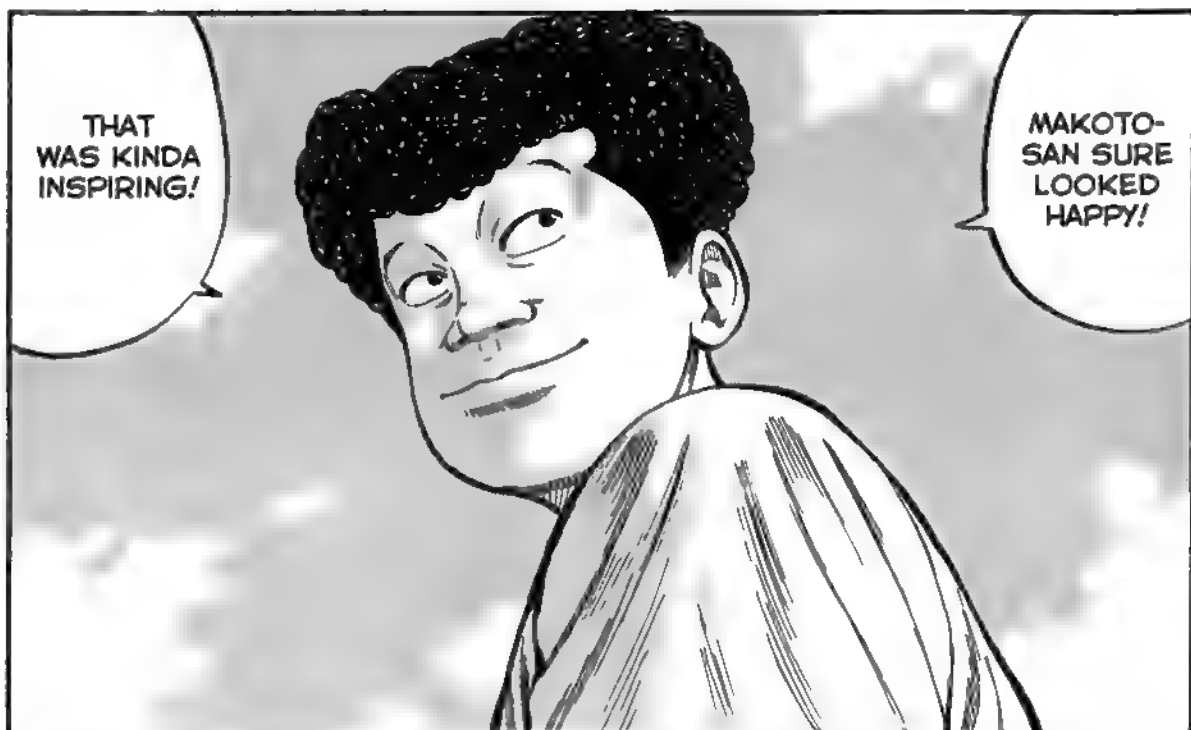


"... I COULD
DO THIS ALL
MY LIFE."

"EVENTUALLY,
HE CAME TO ENJOY
THE WORK, AND
THEN ONE DAY, IN
THE MIDDLE OF IT
ALL, HE GAZED UP
AT THE SKY AND
THOUGHT TO HIM-
SELF..."

"HE TOLD US
ABOUT HIS
GIRLFRIEND,
IZUMI-SAN'S
FATHER, WHO
WAS A MASTER
BUILDER HIMSELF,
AND HOW HE'D
TAKEN A SHINE
TO MAKOTO-SAN
DURING HIS
MANY VISITS...
AFTER A WHILE,
MAKOTO-SAN
STARTED HELPING
HIM OUT WITH HIS
CARPENTRY..."

"MAKOTO-SAN -
THE ONCE-QUIET,
INTIMIDATING,
FASHION-CONSCIOUS
MAKOTO-SAN,
NOW UNSHAVEN AND
COVERED IN SWEAT -
TRIED HARD TO TELL
US HOW HE HAD COME
TO HIS DECISION."



THAT
WAS KINDA
INSPIRING!

MAKOTO-
SAN SURE
LOOKED
HAPPY!



STILL, HE
DIDN'T HAVE
TO GO AND
QUIT SCHOOL...
I MEAN,
GRADUATION'S
JUST NEXT
SPRING!



HE SAID
HIROMI-SAN
AND HONJOU-
SAN ALREADY
KNEW...
I WONDER IF
THAT'S WHY
THEY'VE BEEN
ACTING KINDA
WEIRD OF
LATE?

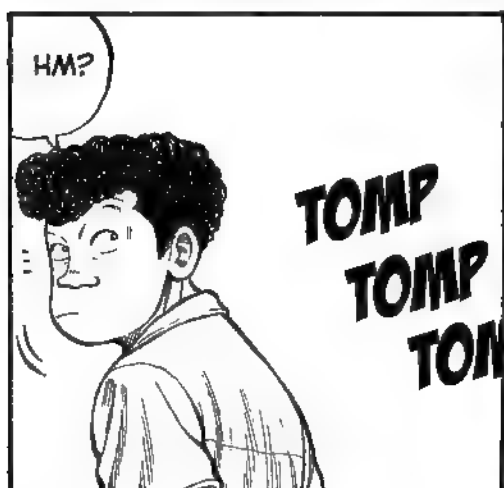
NAW,
THAT
AIN'T
IT.



SO?
WELL
...

SO?





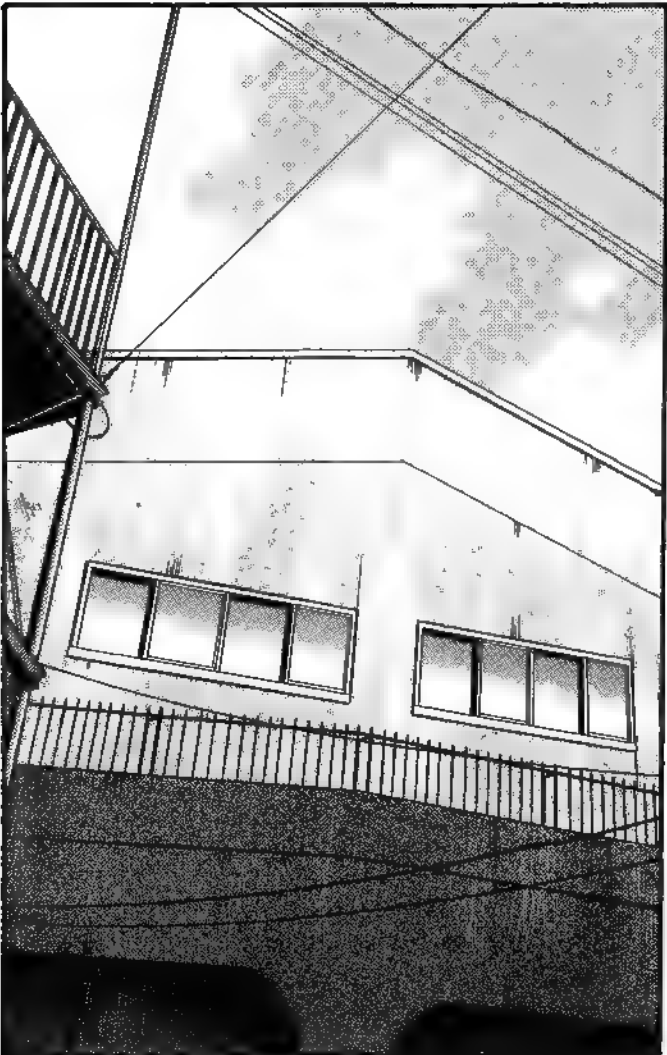






I GUESS
IT REALLY IS
LOOKING
THAT WAY...!

**"IT'S THE
BEGINNING
OF THE END
FOR THEIR
GENERATION
..."**



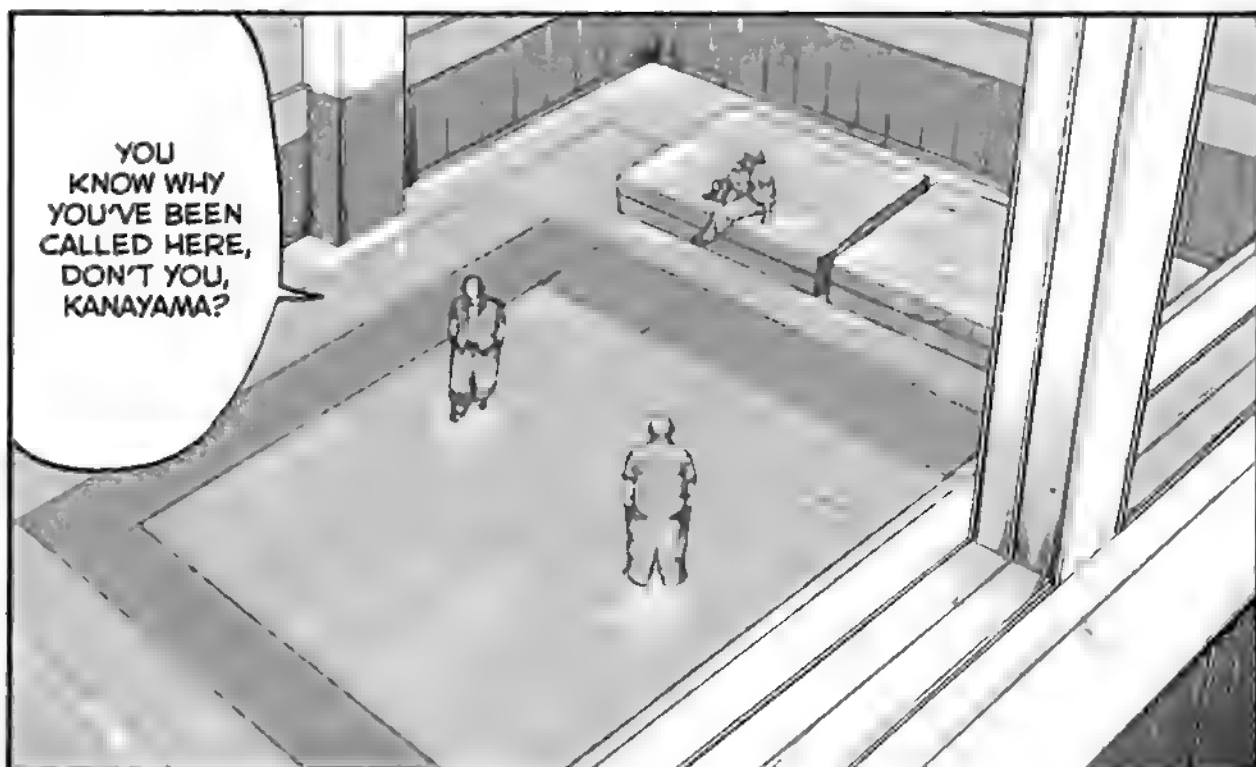
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BOARD: HOUSEN ACADEMY

CROWS no.77 122







YOU
KNOW WHY
YOU'VE BEEN
CALLED HERE,
DON'T YOU,
KANAYAMA?



DO YOU
EVEN FUCKING
KNOW WHAT
THE KUROTAKI
ALLIANCE IS?

SEEMS
LIKE YOU'VE
BEEN HAVING
SOME FUN
WITH THE
GUYS FROM
KUROTAKI, YOU
BASTARD...

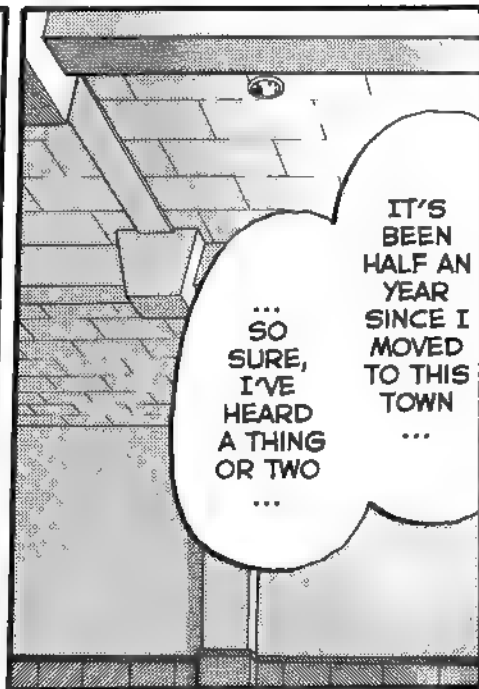


I
AIN'T
GOT A
CLUE
...

BUT I
CAN TELL
IT AIN'T
NOTHIN'
GOOD...

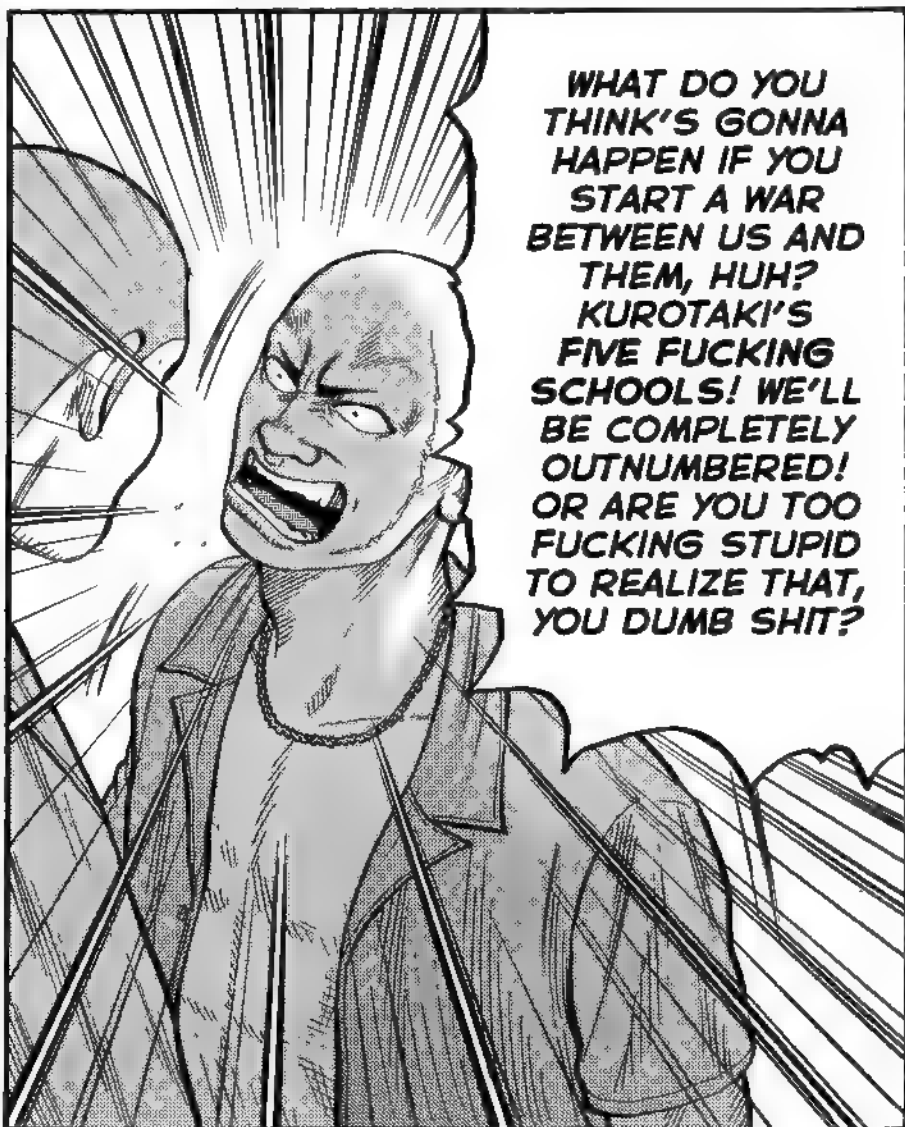


**THEN
DON'T GO
SCREWING
THINGS
UP, YOU
FUCKING
MORON!**



IT'S
BEEN
HALF AN
YEAR
SINCE I
MOVED
TO THIS
TOWN
...

...
SO
SURE,
I'VE
HEARD
A THING
OR TWO
...



**WHAT DO YOU
THINK'S GONNA
HAPPEN IF YOU
START A WAR
BETWEEN US AND
THEM, HUH?
KUROTAKI'S
FIVE FUCKING
SCHOOLS! WE'LL
BE COMPLETELY
OUTNUMBERED!
OR ARE YOU TOO
FUCKING STUPID
TO REALIZE THAT,
YOU DUMB SHIT?**





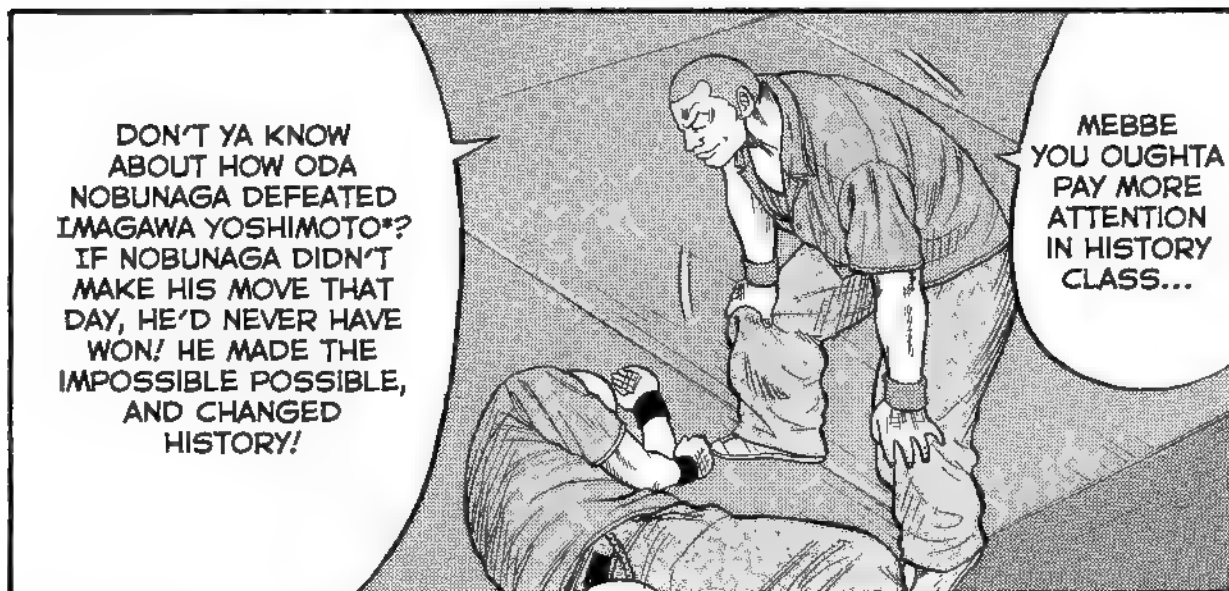




**KEEP
THINKING
LIKE THAT,
AND YOU'LL
NEVER
BREAK
FREE TO
THE TOP!**

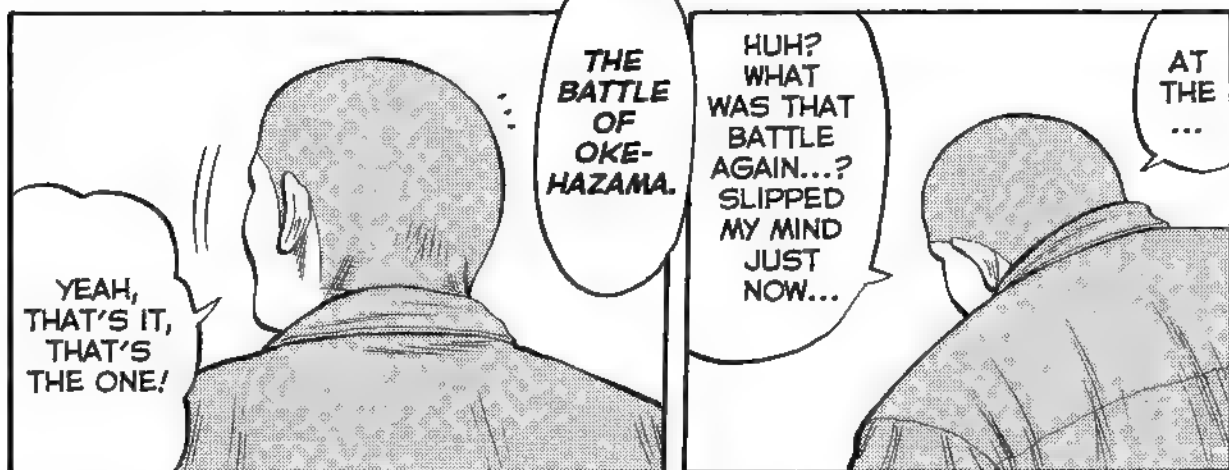
**A
SMALL EMPIRE
THAT KEEPS
GIVING WAY
TO LARGE
EMPIRES OUT
OF FEAR
OF BEING
OUTNUMBERED
WILL STAY A
SMALL EMPIRE
FOREVER!**

THE BATTLE OF OKEHAZAMA: A FAMOUS BATTLE IN WHICH ODA NOBUNAGA MANAGED TO DEFEAT IMAGAWA YOSHIMOTO, IN SPITE OF BEING HEAVILY OUTNUMBERED, WITH THE AID OF A SURPRISE ATTACK.



DON'T YA KNOW ABOUT HOW ODA NOBUNAGA DEFEATED IMAGAWA YOSHIMOTO*? IF NOBUNAGA DIDN'T MAKE HIS MOVE THAT DAY, HE'D NEVER HAVE WON! HE MADE THE IMPOSSIBLE POSSIBLE, AND CHANGED HISTORY!

MEBBE YOU OUGHTA PAY MORE ATTENTION IN HISTORY CLASS...



THE BATTLE OF OKEHAZAMA.

HUH? WHAT WAS THAT BATTLE AGAIN...? SLIPPED MY MIND JUST NOW...

AT THE ...

YEAH, THAT'S IT, THAT'S THE ONE!

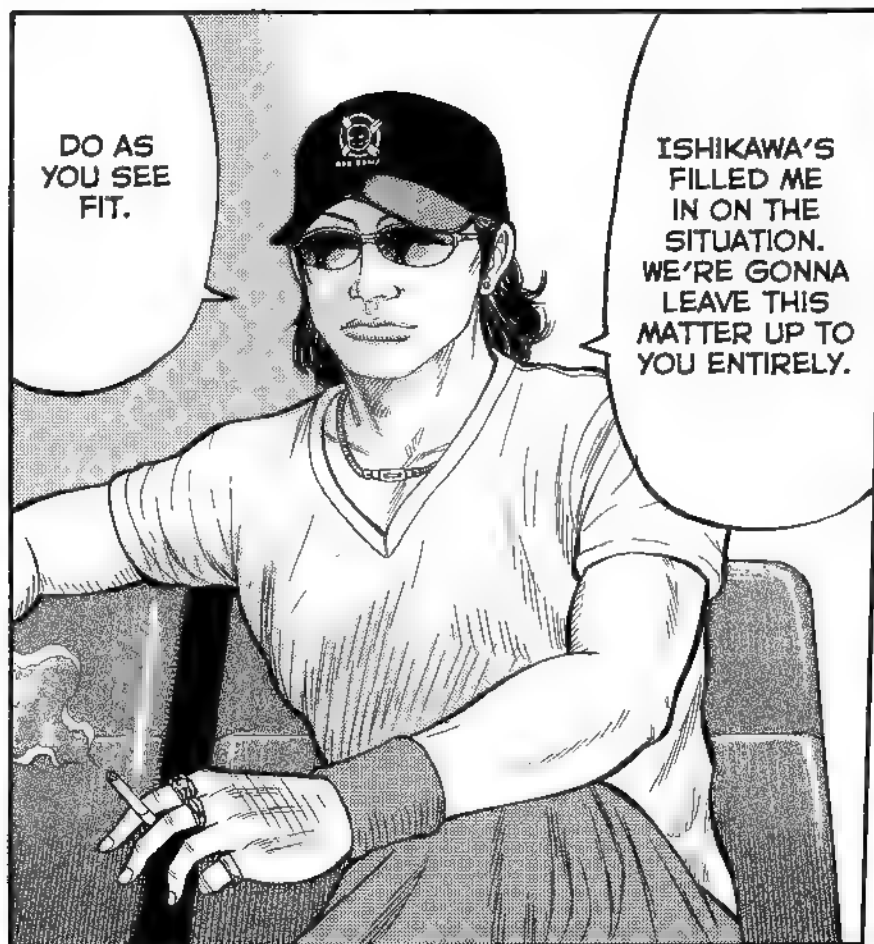


HMPH...! SO YOU'RE SAYING YOU'RE NOBUNAGA, HUH?











SOME OF OUR
FIRST YEARS AREN'T
GONNA LIKE YOU
BEING MARKED AS
THE NEXT LEADER...
SO HERE'S WHERE
YOU'LL HAVE TO SHOW
THEM YOU'VE GOT
WHAT IT TAKES
TO BE KUROTAKI'S
NEXT BOSS!

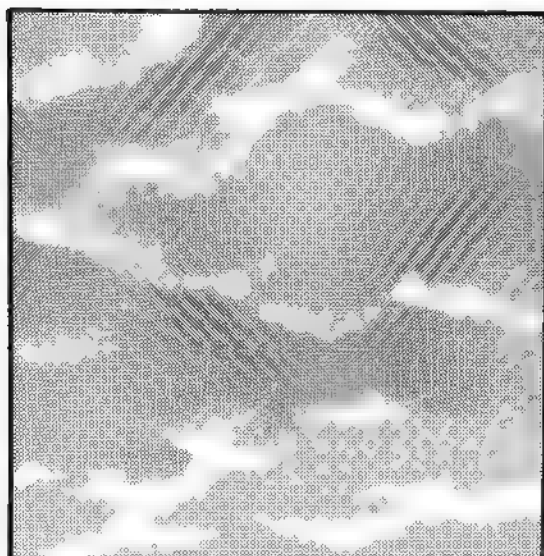
IT'S
INEVITABLE
THAT PEOPLE
ARE GONNA
DISAGREE OVER
WHO GETS TO
BE THE NEXT
BOSS -
PARTICULARLY
IN A HUGE
ALLIANCE LIKE
OURS
...



OH?
LOOKS LIKE
IT'S GONNA
START
RAINING
AGAIN...



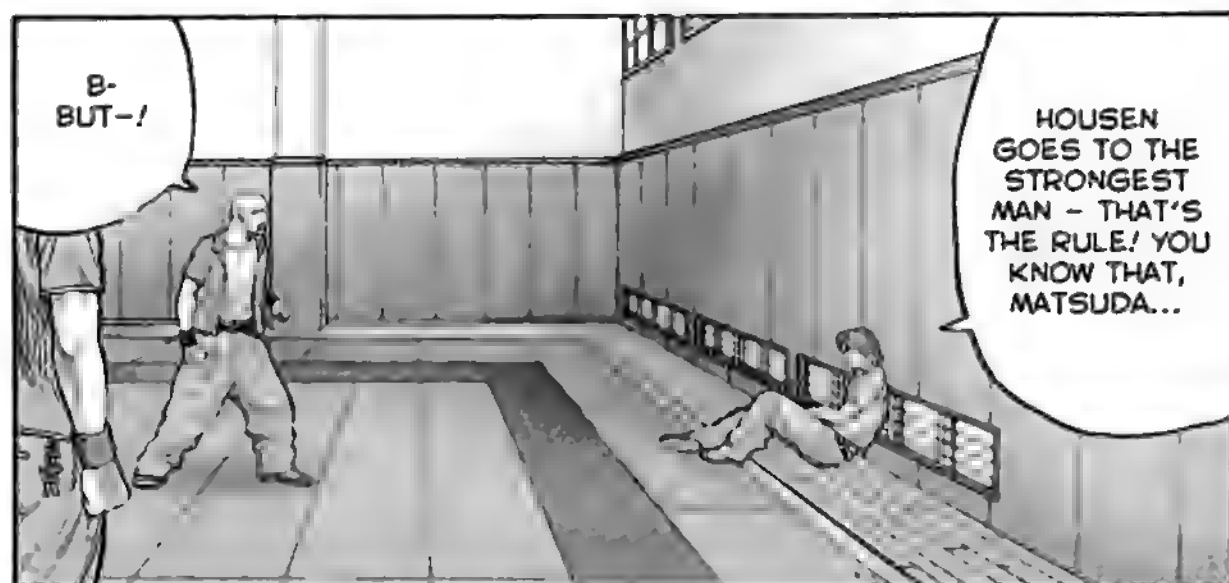
I
UNDER-
STAND.



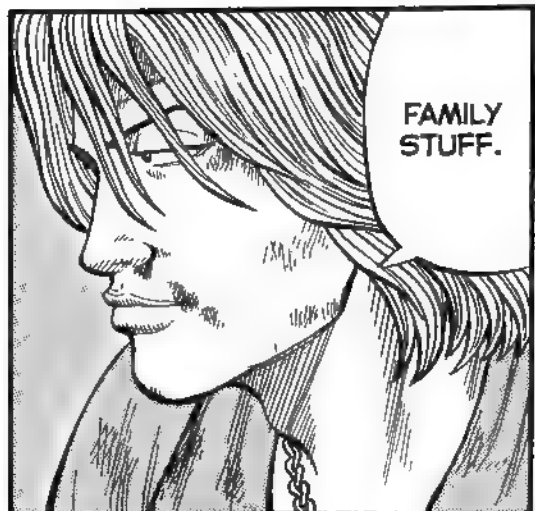
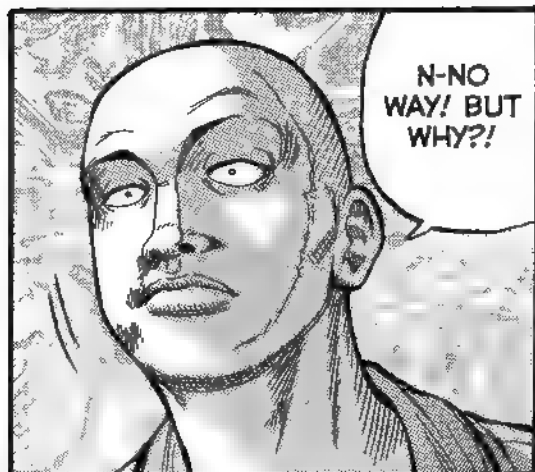




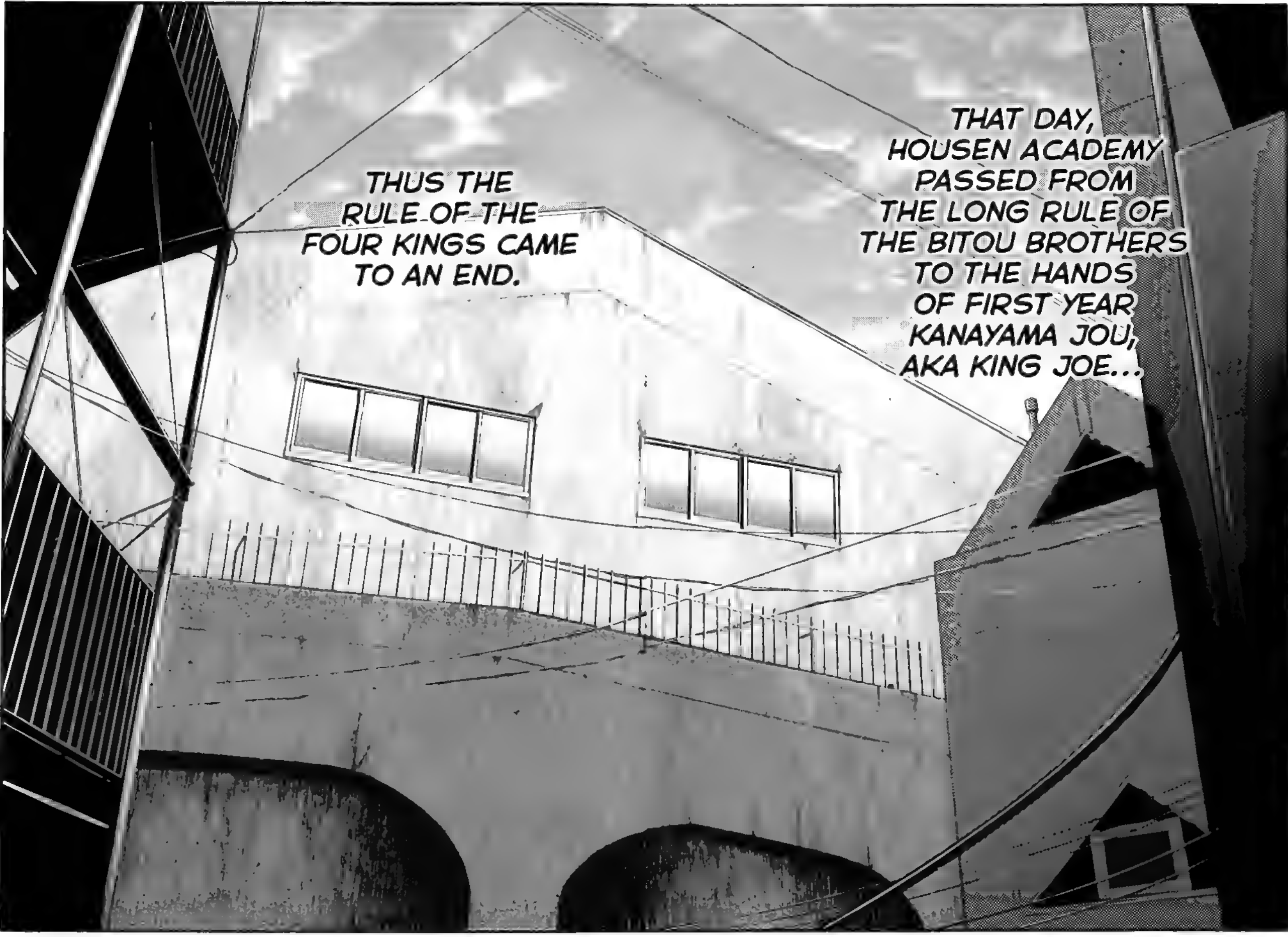
... AS
OF RIGHT
NOW, THE
LEADER OF
HOUSEN...
IS ME.











THUS THE
RULE OF THE
FOUR KINGS CAME
TO AN END.

THAT DAY,
HOUSEN ACADEMY
PASSED FROM
THE LONG RULE OF
THE BITOU BROTHERS
TO THE HANDS
OF FIRST YEAR
KANAYAMA JOU,
AKA KING JOE...



SO HEY...
WHAT'RE THE
OTHER GUYS
IN THE KUROTAKI
ALLIANCE LIKE?

MEANWHILE,
AT SUZURAN
HIGH...



THERE'S
TSUCHIYA, THE
GUY FROM
KUROSAKI WHO
GOT TAKEN OUT
BY KING JOE...
BANDAI FROM
TAKIYA, TAMADA
FROM TSUKA-
MOTO HIGH,
ASAHINA FROM
NANAMORI, AND
AZUMA, FROM
YURI SOUTH...

THEY'VE
GOT A
BUNCH
ANNOY-
ING
GUYS
...

COUNT AUTO
SUPPLY



APART
FROM
NAKAJIMA
SHINSUKE,
I MEAN...
THEY GOT
ANYONE
WITH
BALLS?



SEEMS LIKE
ALMOST
EVERYONE'S
TALKING
ABOUT
HIM!

THAT
KING JOE
GUY'S GOT
GUTS!



SERIOUSLY,
DUDE...
WHAT'S
WITH THE
GOGGLES?

DOESN'T
REALLY MATTER
TO US THOUGH,
DOES IT? ALL
WE'VE GOTTA DO
IS SIT AND
WATCH WHAT
HAPPENS...



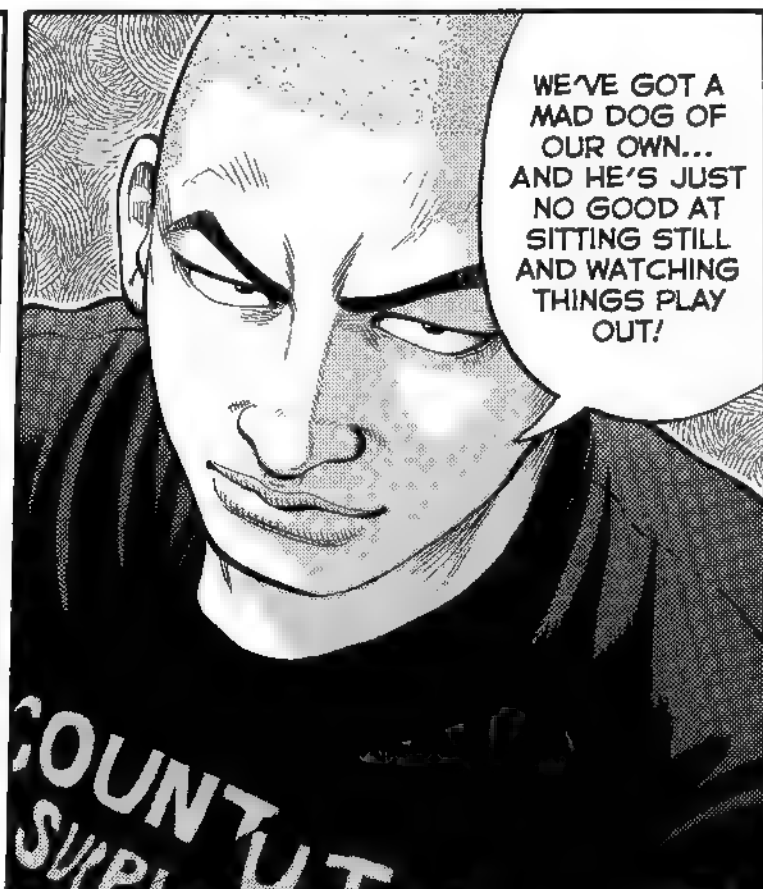
HUH?

YOU
SURE
ABOUT
THAT,
ZETTON?



GUESS
YOU'RE
RIGHT
ABOUT
THAT!

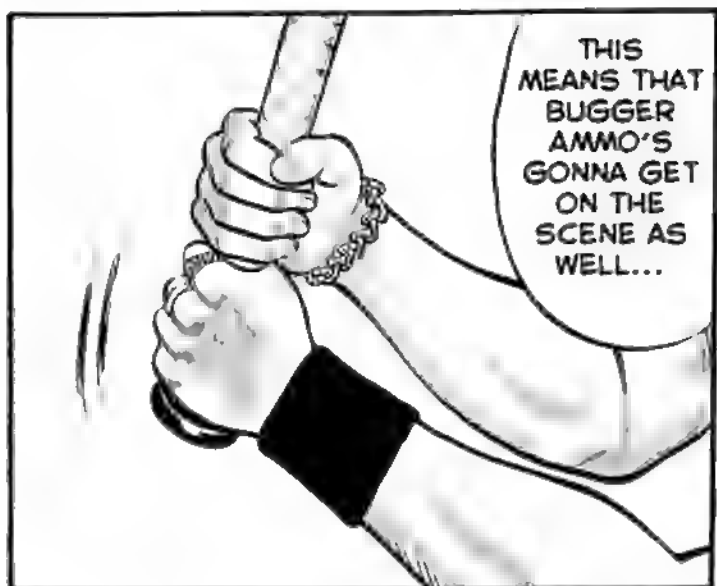
...



WE'VE GOT A
MAD DOG OF
OUR OWN...
AND HE'S JUST
NO GOOD AT
SITTING STILL
AND WATCHING
THINGS PLAY
OUT!



LOOKS
LIKE
WAR'S
BREWING
TO ME...



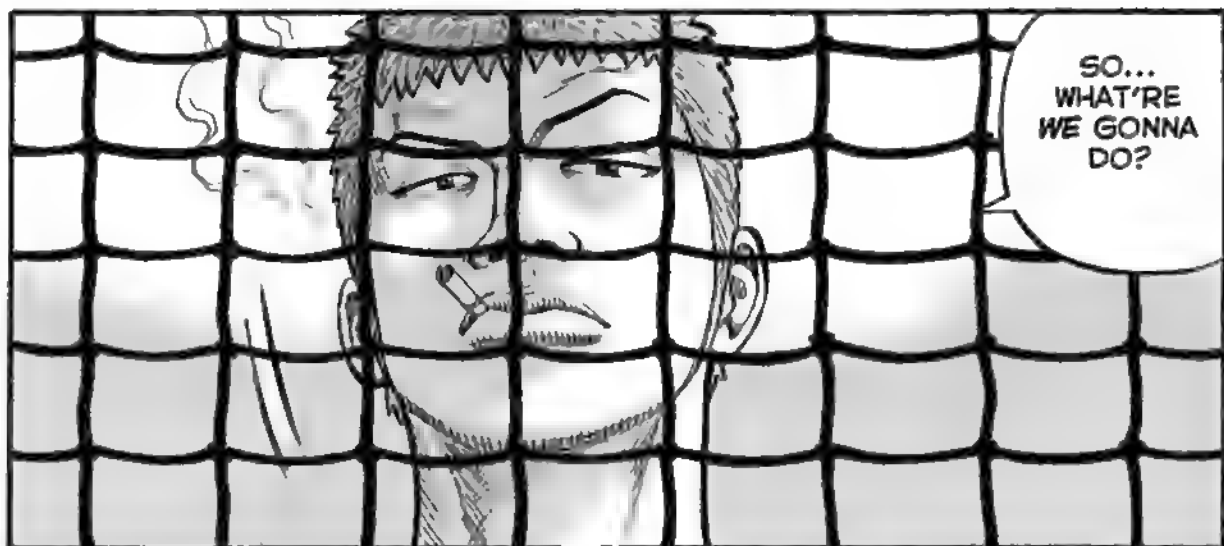
THIS
MEANS THAT
BUGGER
AMMO'S
GONNA GET
ON THE
SCENE AS
WELL...



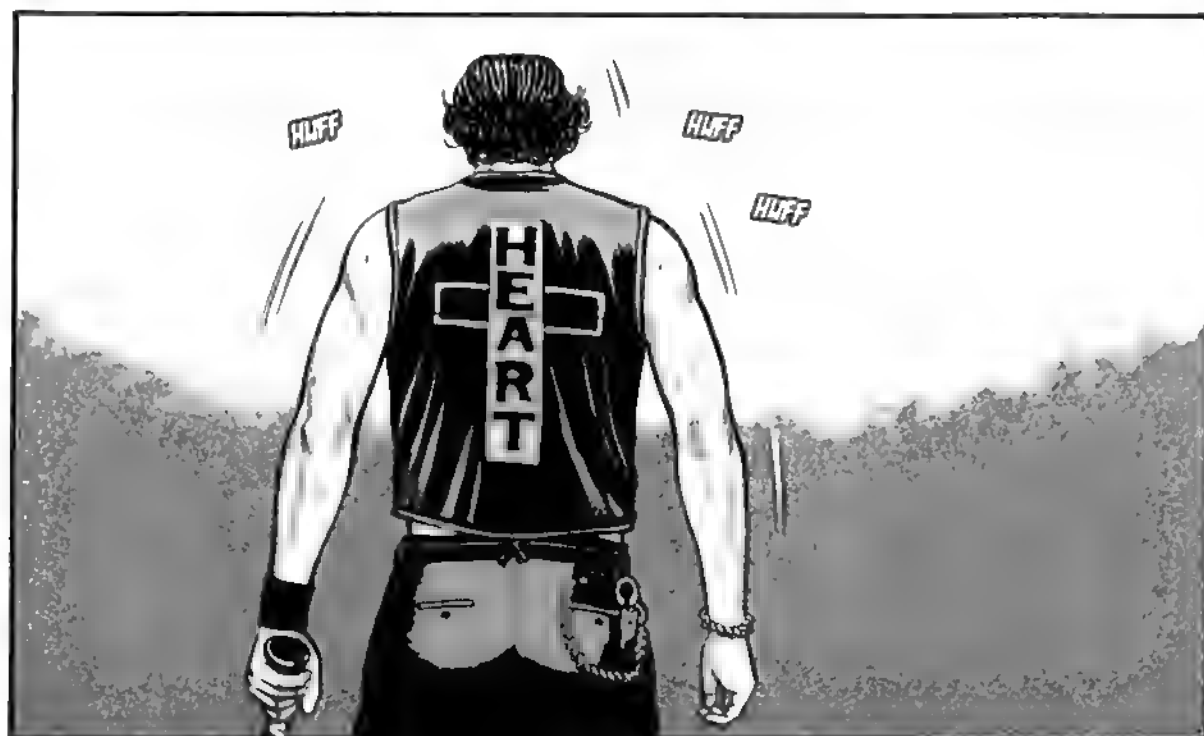
SO...
KING JOE
AND TSUCHIYA
FROM
KUROSAKI
INDUSTRIAL,
HUH..

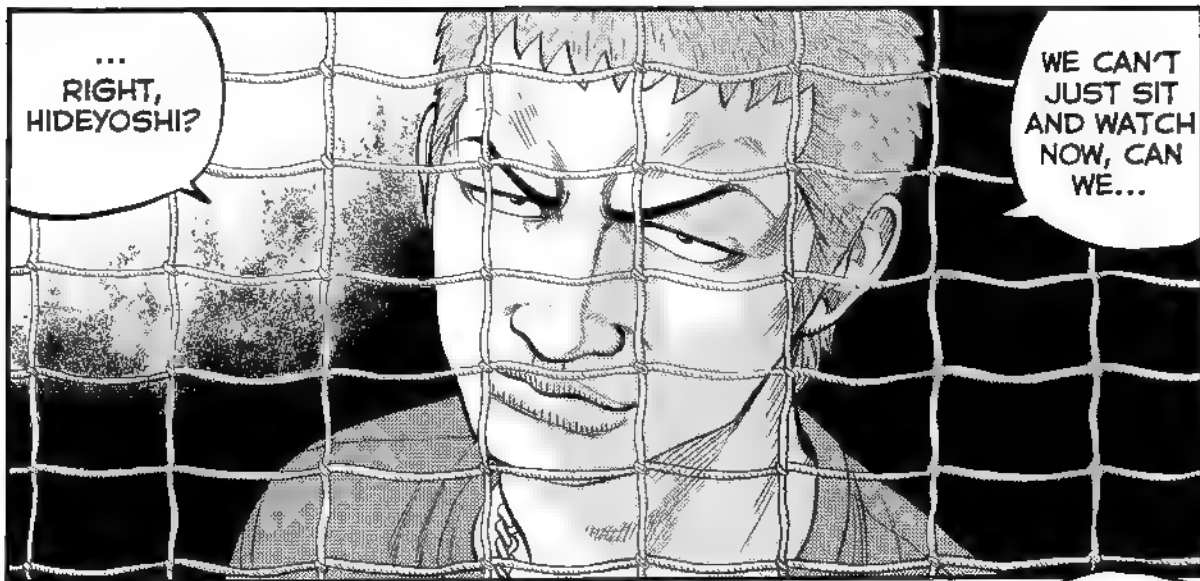
YEP.

THWACK









...
RIGHT,
HIDEYOSHI?

WE CAN'T
JUST SIT
AND WATCH
NOW, CAN
WE...



RIGHT.

THOMP

ON THE SAME DAY THE LEADERSHIP OF
HOUSEN ACADEMY PASSED INTO NEW
HANDS, THE CURTAIN WAS CLOSING ON
YET ANOTHER GENERATION..!



TO-
MORROW,
THEN
...

...
UNDER-
STOOD
...







**KUNOU RYUUSHIN,
FOURTH LEADER OF
THE FRONT OF ARMAMENT,
HAD DECIDED TO
RETIRE.**



HIROSHI TAKAHASHI'S

クローズ

CROWS

CHAPTER 79: KING JOE MAKES HIS MOVE

(KANZENBAN CHAPTER 77)



Deshi Basara

*Let's write rude words all down our street
Stick out our tongues at the people we meet
Let's have an intellectual treat —
PEE PO BELLY BUM DRAWERS!*

FENRILL
CLEANER
RAW PROVIDER

RAZORBLADERYUU
TRANSLATOR
TYPESETTER

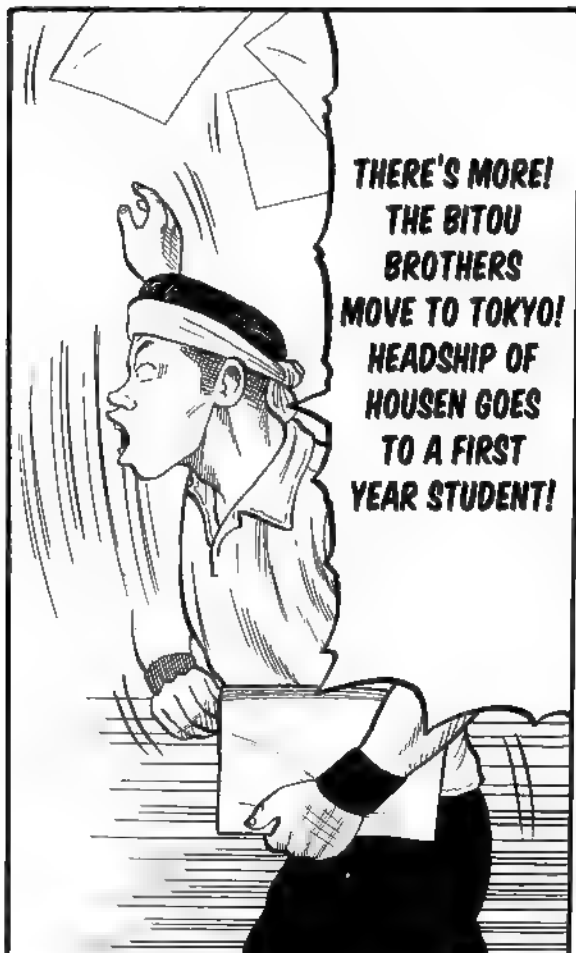
VISIT WWW.SUZURAN-HIGH.COM/FORUM FOR UPDATES ON THE
LATEST CHAPTERS OF CROWS, WORST, AND MORE!

PLEASE SUPPORT THE MANGAKA BY PURCHASING CROWS WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE IN YOUR REGION.

NO 78 AIMING FOR THE TOP







**THERE'S MORE!
THE BITOU
BROTHERS
MOVE TO TOKYO!
HEADSHIP OF
HOUSEN GOES
TO A FIRST
YEAR STUDENT!**



**RYUUSHIN
DID
WHAT?!**



**YOU
SERIOUS,
SAGAWA
?!**



**SETTLE DOWN,
EVERYBODY!
EVERYTHING YOU
WANT TO KNOW
IS PRINTED
RIGHT HERE!**

**HEY,
GIMME
ONE OF
THOSE,
TOO!**

**FOR
REAL?!**

HE REALLY
SEEMS TO LIKE
THIS SORTA THING...
I BET HIS ANCESTORS
USED TO BE LIKE
TOWN CRIERS OR
SOMETHING...

THAT IDIOT...
HE ACTUALLY
DID IT...

Konou Ryoushin has officially announced his retirement from The Front of Armament, which is currently numbered at 19 members. Second-in-Command Morata Joozou and others will also be resigning with Ryoushin, leaving the Armament with just 3 members! 16-year-old Takeda Kousei has been named Fifth head of the Front of Armament. However, with just 3 members, it is certain that the Armament will be a juicy target to other gangs in the area!! In other news, Ryoushin will be headed for Tokyo in the hope of becoming a professional boxer!

EXTRA!!
THE
FRONT OF
ARMAMENT'S
FOURTH
HEAD
KUNOU
RYUUSHIN
RETIRES!

THE
SAGAWA
NEWS

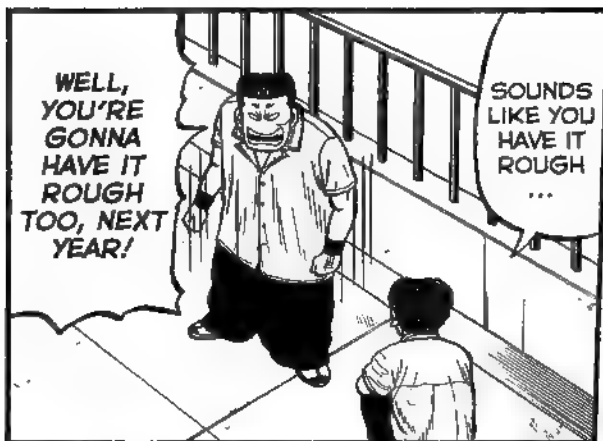
With the Bitou brothers transferring to a school in Tokyo, Housen Academy is now being led by first year Kanayama Joo, aka King Joe. Further investigation revealed that King Joe had previously defeated the younger Bitou Hideyuki in a one-on-one match! King Joe has also stirred up trouble with a first year from the Kurotaki Alliance. We eagerly await fresh developments on that front!

THE BITOU
BROTHERS
MOVE TO TOKYO!
HOUSEN ACADEMY
LEFT IN THE
HANDS OF FIRST
YEAR KANAYAMA
JOU!

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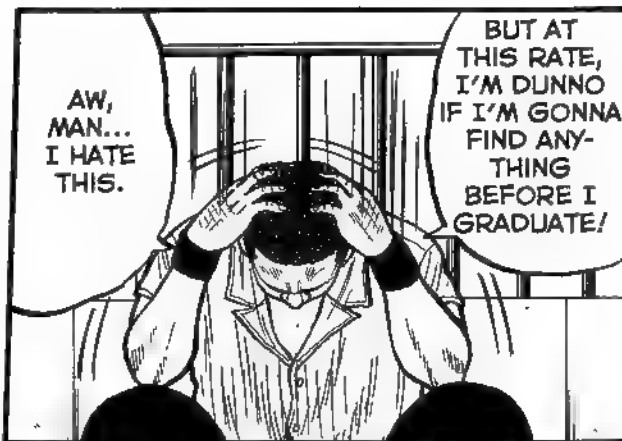
TO THINK
HE ACTUALLY
WENT AND
MADE SOME-
THING LIKE
THIS...





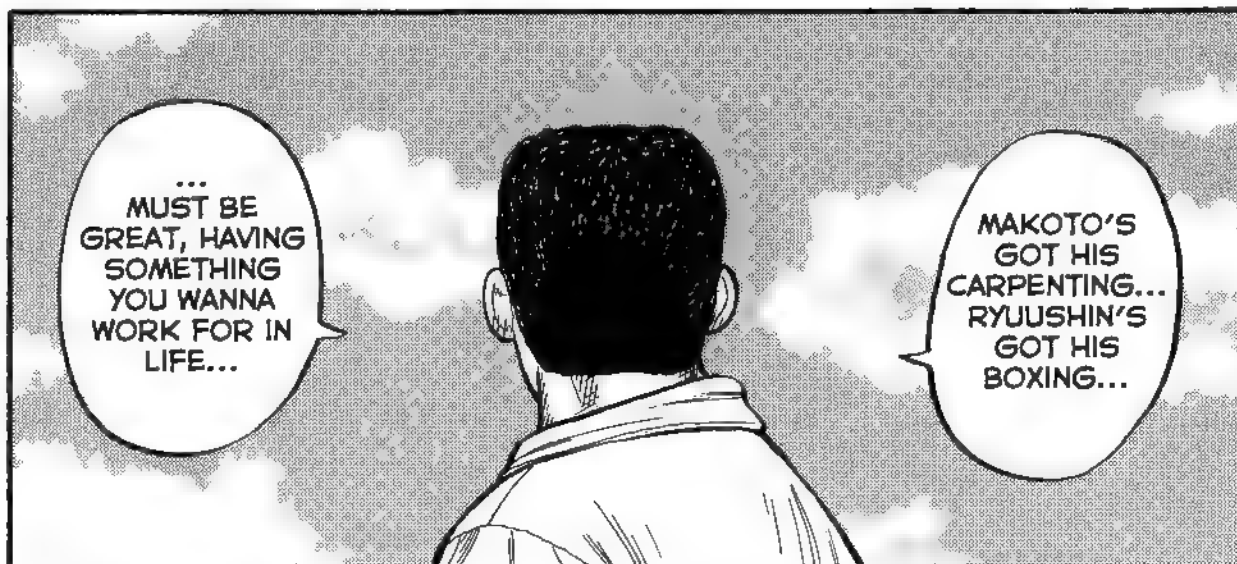
WELL,
YOU'RE
GONNA
HAVE IT
ROUGH
TOO, NEXT
YEAR!

SOUNDS
LIKE YOU
HAVE IT
ROUGH
...



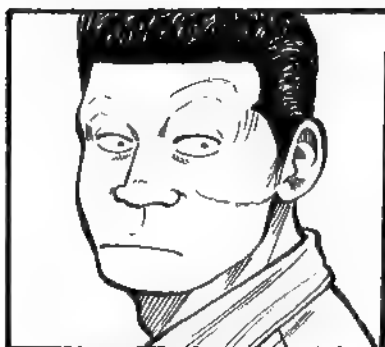
AW,
MAN...
I HATE
THIS.

BUT AT
THIS RATE,
I'M DUNNO
IF I'M GONNA
FIND ANY-
THING
BEFORE I
GRADUATE!



...
MUST BE
GREAT, HAVING
SOMETHING
YOU WANNA
WORK FOR IN
LIFE...

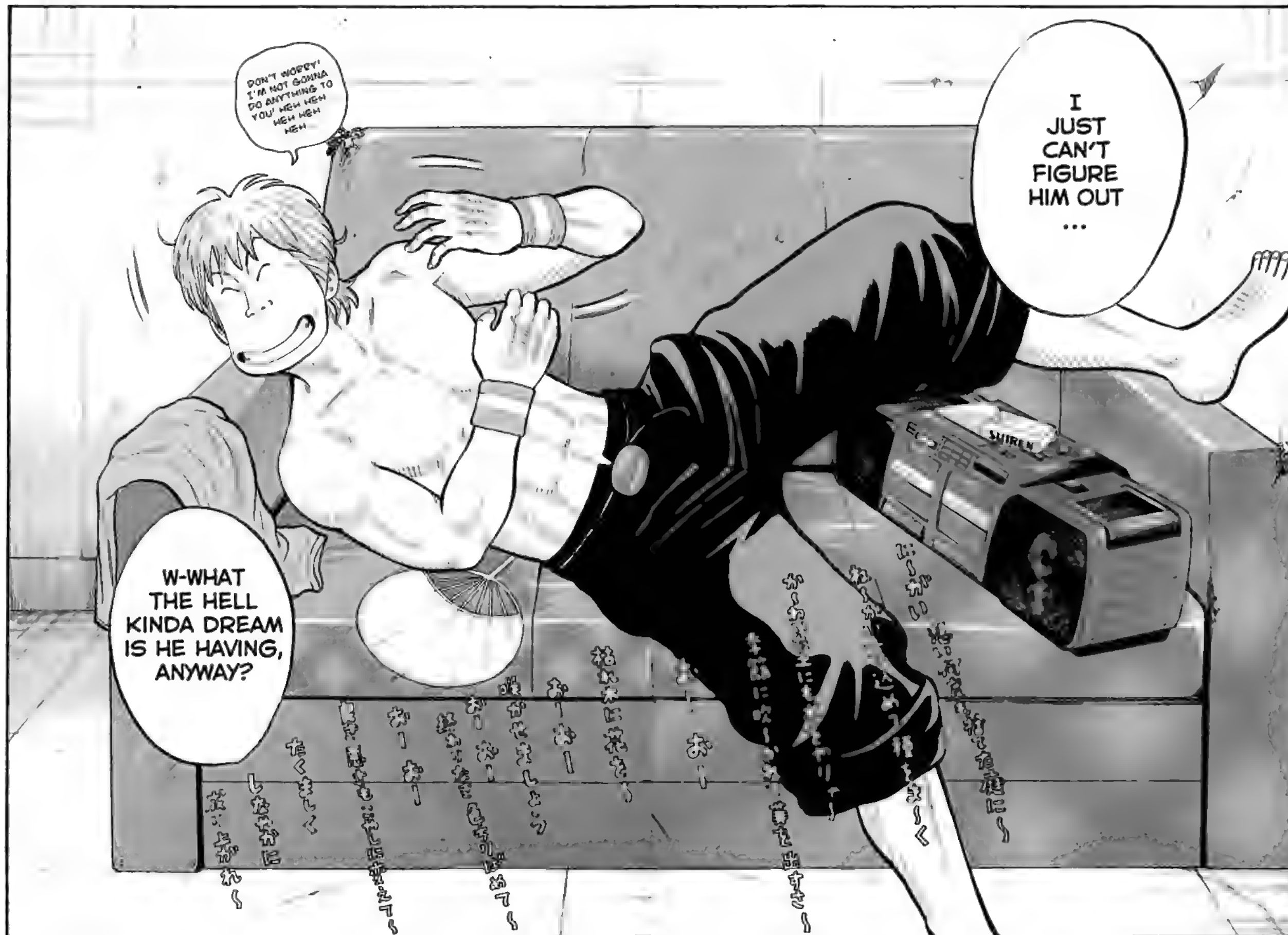
MAKOTO'S
GOT HIS
CARPENTING...
RYUUSHIN'S
GOT HIS
BOXING...



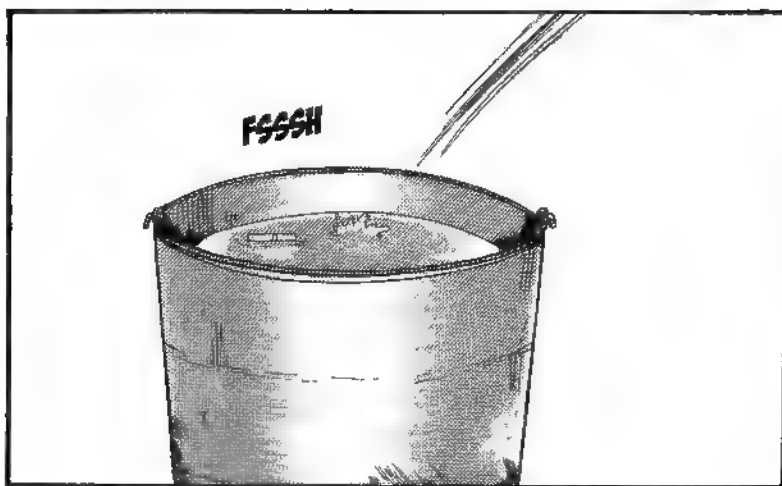
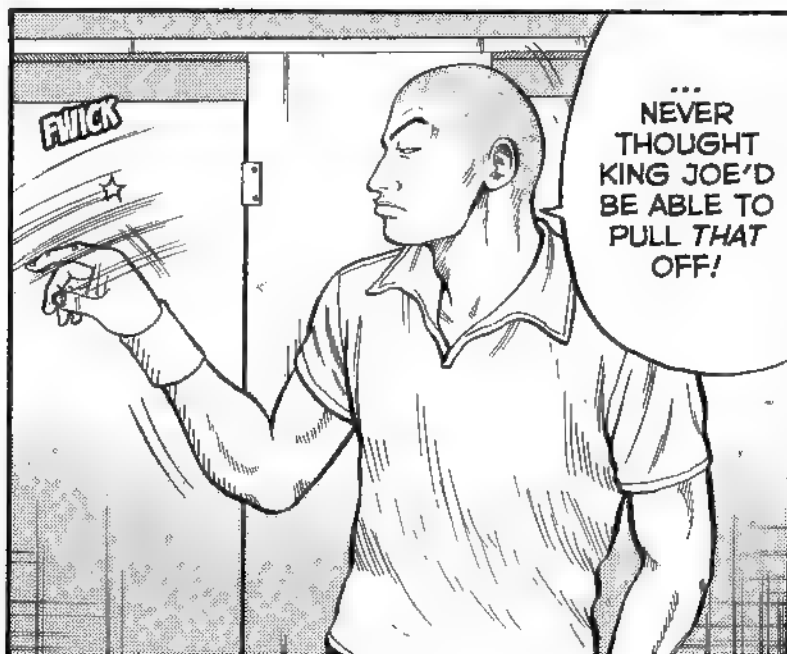
YOU JUST
HAVEN'T FOUND
IT YET, THAT'S
ALL! SOONER OR
LATER, YOU'LL
COME ACROSS
SOMETHING YOU
WANNA DO, AND
THEN YOU'LL GO
"THIS IS IT!
THIS IS WHAT I
WANT TO DO
WITH MY LIFE!"
SO DON'T GIVE
UP!

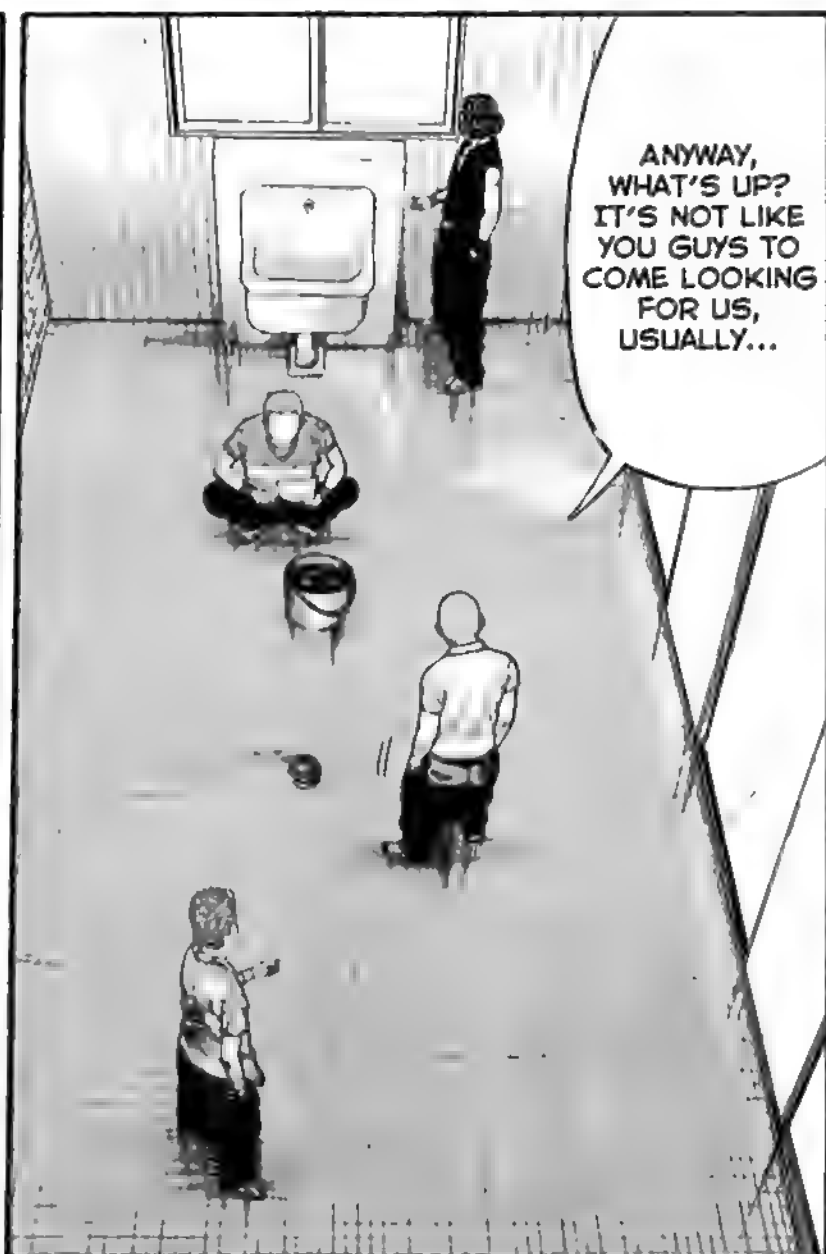
CHEER UP,
AKUTSU-
SAN!
THERE'S
GOTTA BE
SOMETHING
OUT THERE
FOR YOU,
TOO!





LYRICS FROM SUIREN'S "KAREKI NI HANA WO SAKASEMASHOU"







YOU
KNOW
ABOUT
HIM,
KOME?

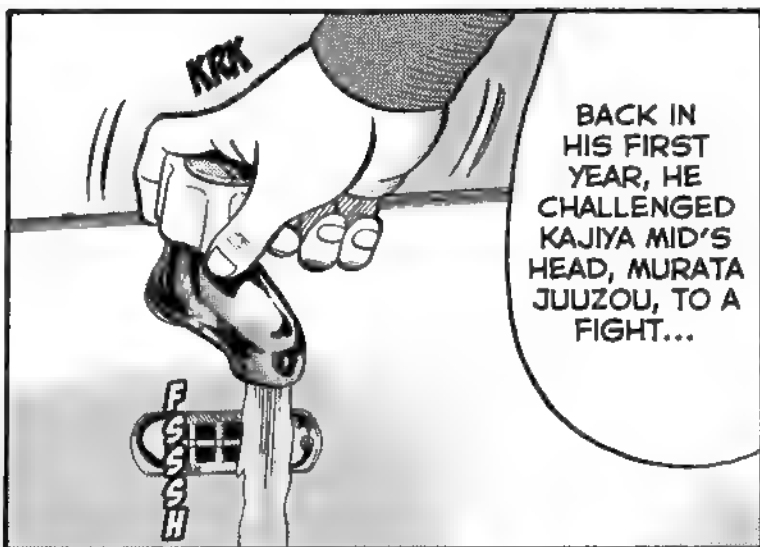


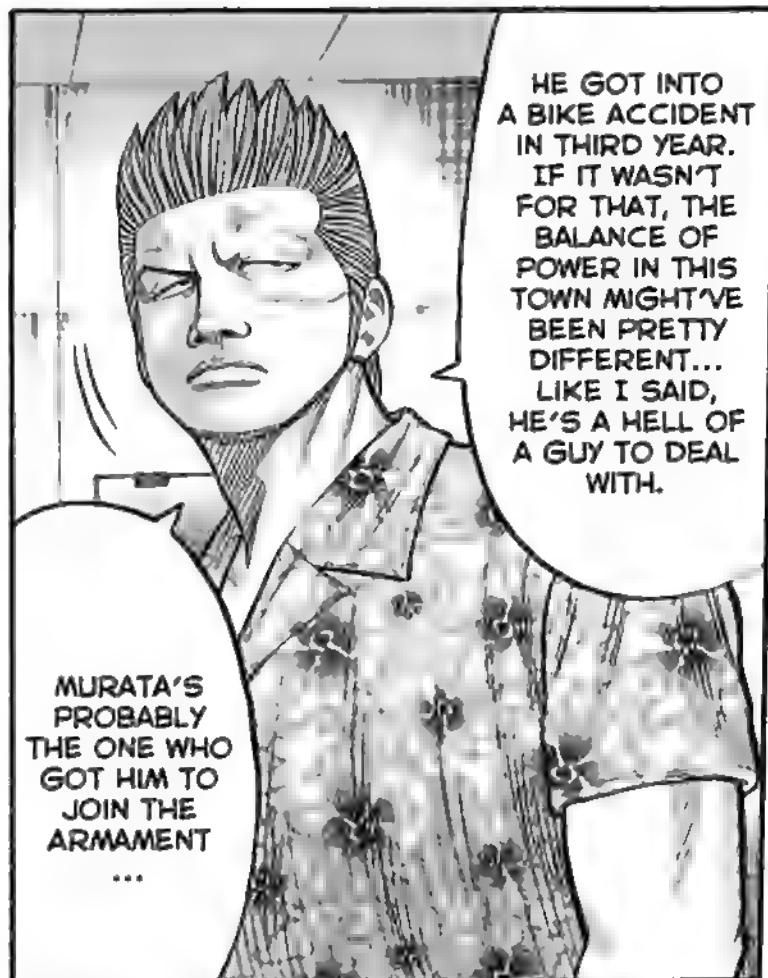
KOUSEI...
THAT'S
TAKEDA
KOUSEI.

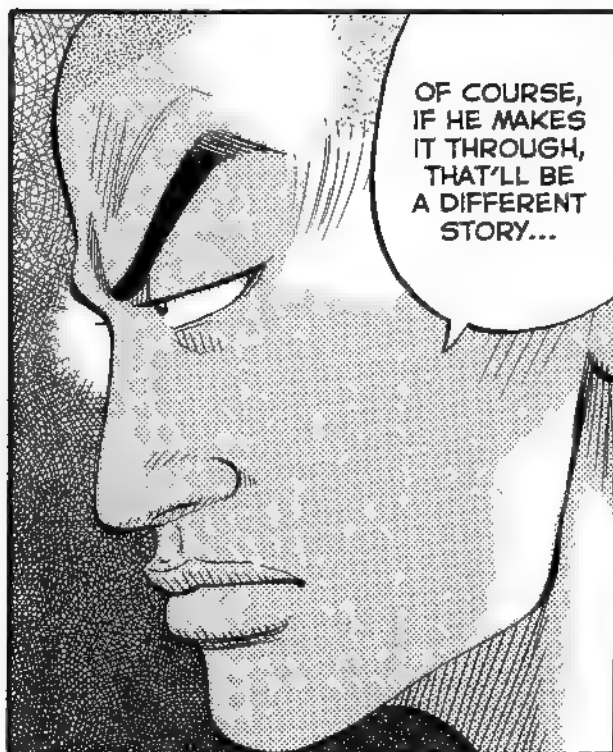


YEAH. BACK
FROM MIDDLE
SCHOOL... HE WAS
SOMEONE YOU REALLY
DID NOT WANT TO
CROSS. YOU MIGHT
NOT'VE HEARD OF HIM
OVER IN YOUR DIS-
TRICTS, BUT BACK
WHERE I CAME FROM
IN THE EAST, THERE
WEREN'T NOBODY WHO
HADN'T HEARD OF
HIM...

...
TAKEDA
KOUSEI
FROM
KAJIYA
MID!









WHAT'RE
YOU GUYS
PLANNING
TO DO?

HEY!



LET'S
GO,
MASA.

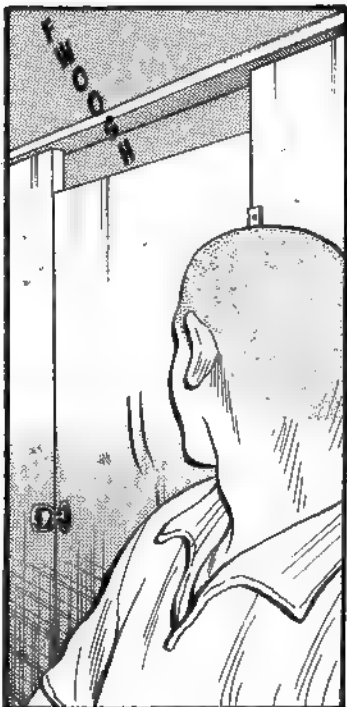
GUNJI'S
RIGHT. I
GUESS WE'LL
JUST FOCUS
ON KING JOE
FOR NOW...

OKAY.



...

...
I'M JUST
GONNA GO
CHECK THINGS
OUT FOR THAT
IDIOT OVER
THERE WHO
SPENDS HIS
TIME SITTING
ON THE
POOPER.



SEEMS
LIKE ALL
HE EVER
DOES IS
TAKE
SHITS,
DOESN'T
IT?



I COULDN'T
MAKE MY WAY
TO THE TOP
HERE... THAT
MAKES ME
KIND OF A
FREE AGENT
...

RATTLE





MOVE IT,
MOVE IT,
MOVE IT!
OUTTA
THE
FUCKING
WAY!









HYAKKI!
IT'S FUCKING
HYAKKI!
THEY'RE
SURROUNDING
THE PLACE!
THEY'RE
GONNA BE
HERE ANY
MINUTE!



TWENTY...
NO,
THIRTY
OF THE
FUCKERS!

THEY'RE
LOOKIN'
DOWN ON
US, THE
FUCKING
ASS-
MAGGOTS!



HOW
MANY?



FIFTH HEAD OF
THE FRONT
OF ARMAMENT
**TAKEDA
KOUSEI**

**WE'LL
CRUSH
THEM.**

**INADA
GENJI**

**FUCK
YEAH!**

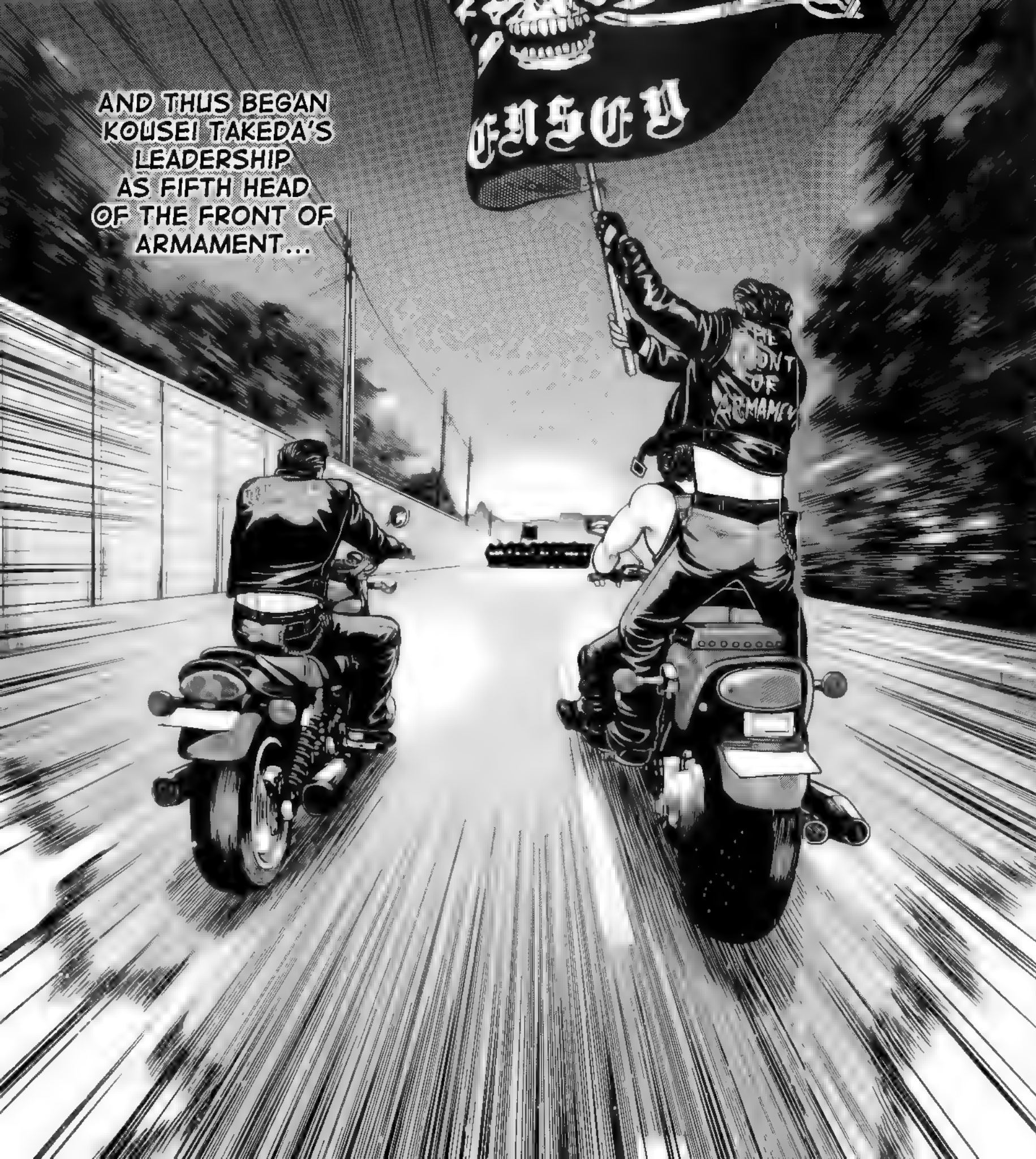
SWISH

YEAH.

**GEMBA
HISASHI**



AND THUS BEGAN
KOUSEI TAKEDA'S
LEADERSHIP
AS FIFTH HEAD
OF THE FRONT OF
ARMAMENT...





MEANWHILE,
KING JOE, TOO,
WAS RECEIVING
AN IMPORTANT
COMMUNICATION
OF HIS OWN...



...
IT'LL BE
TOMORROW
AFTERNOON AT 3!
NAKAJIMA FROM
KAWA SECOND,
BANDAI FROM TAKIYA,
TAMADA FROM
TSUKAMOTO,
ASAHINA FROM
NANAMORI, TSUCHIYA
FROM KUROSAKI,
AND AZUMA FROM
YURI SOUTH ARE ALL
GOING TO BE THERE!



APPARENTLY,
THE OWNER
OF THE PLACE
GRADUATED
FROM TAKIYA.
THEY'VE BEEN
USING IT FOR
THEIR OFFICER
MEETINGS FOR
AGES.

A CAFE
CALLED
"MILK"
IN THE
CENTRAL
DISTRICT.



AND
THE
PLACE?



IF INFORMATION
LIKE THAT'S LEAKIN'
OUT, IT LOOKS LIKE
THE RUMORS FLOATIN'
AROUND ARE TRUE!
SEEMS LIKE HURO'AKI'S
FIRST YEARS AIN'T
NONE TOO KEEN ON
WORKIN' TOGETHER
FOR THE ALLIANCE!

HA HA
HA HA
HA!



HEY, UJIE,
EBANA! YOU TWO
TAKE AROUND
THIRTY BOYS OR
SO DOWN THERE
TOMORROW AND
CRASH THEIR
LITTLE PARTY.



**EBANA
KATSUTOSHI**
FIRST YEAR,
RANKED 3RD

THIRTY?
THAT'S
GONNA
BE OVER-
KILL!



UJIE JUN
FIRST YEAR,
RANKED 2ND

GOT
IT.



YEAH?

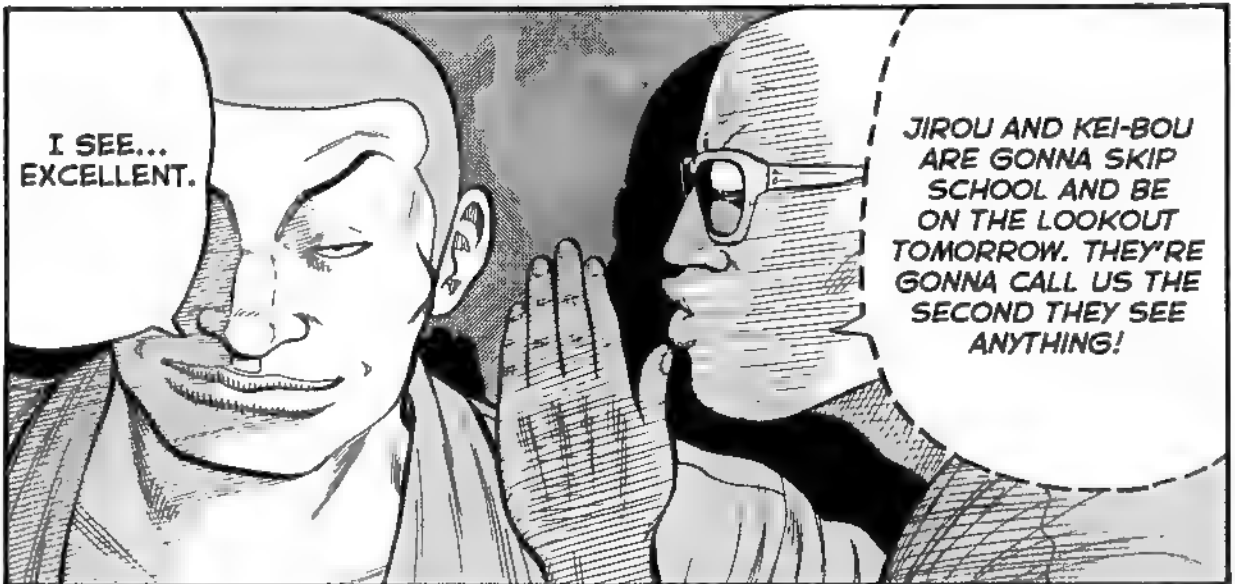
OH,
AND BOSS...
ABOUT *THAT*
OTHER THING
...



WHAT
ABOUT YOU,
JOE? YOU
AIN'T
COMING?

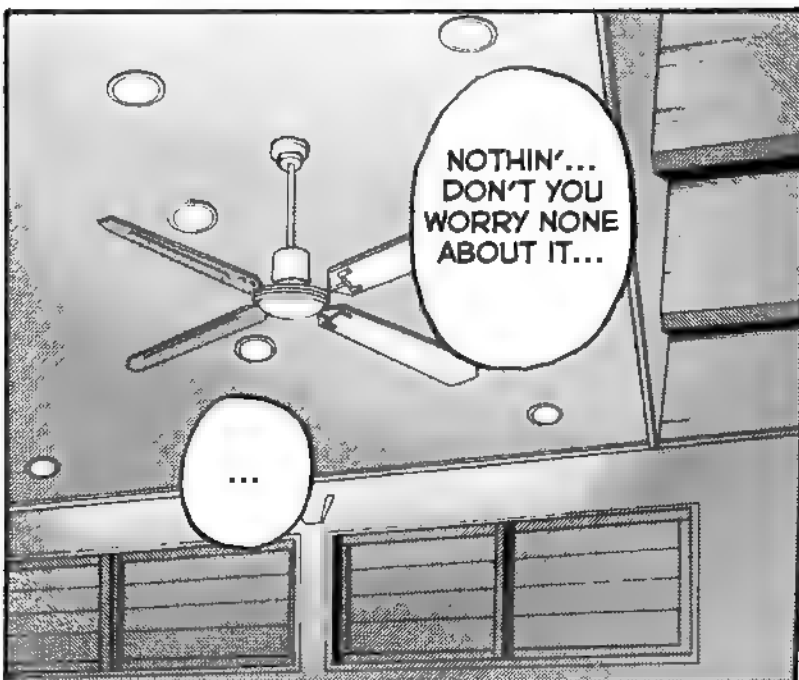
NAW, I'LL
LEAVE IT TO
YOU TWO...
I GOT SOME
BUSINESS I
GOTTA TAKE
CARE OF...

WELCOME!



I SEE...
EXCELLENT.

JIROU AND KEI-BOU
ARE GONNA SKIP
SCHOOL AND BE
ON THE LOOKOUT
TOMORROW. THEY'RE
GONNA CALL US THE
SECOND THEY SEE
ANYTHING!



NOTHIN'...
DON'T YOU
WORRY NONE
ABOUT IT...

...



HEY,
WHAT'RE YOU
WHISPERING
ABOUT?

**BWA HA
HA HA HA
HA HA!**

**I JES'
CAN'T
WAIT FOR
TOMORROW
...**



**THE NEXT DAY,
TRUE TO KING JOE'S
INFORMATION, THE
FIRST YEARS OF THE
KUROTAKE ALLIANCE
GATHERED FOR
THEIR MEETING...**



ONE BY ONE
THE SIX ARRIVED AT
THE SCENE — THOSE
WHO HAD FOUGHT THEIR
WAY TO THE TOP OF
THEIR OWN SCHOOLS IN
BATTLES SIMILAR TO THE
FIRST YEAR WAR THAT
HAD TAKEN PLACE IN
SUZURAN

CROWS
CROWS
CROWS

KUROSAKI INDUSTRIAL.
FIRST YEAR
TSUCHIYA YUTAKA



TSUKAMOTO HIGH SCHOOL,
FIRST YEAR
TAMADA SATOSHI



NANAMORI INDUSTRIAL.
FIRST YEAR
ASAHINA KAZUKI



THEY'RE COMING FOR
HIS YOUNG
BANDA YUUT ROU



THEY'RE COMING FOR HIS YOUNG
BANDA YUUT ROU
AZUMA SHUNSUKE



KAWADA SECOND
HIGH SCHOOL
KRS 1 TRAP
NAKAJIMA SHINSUKE



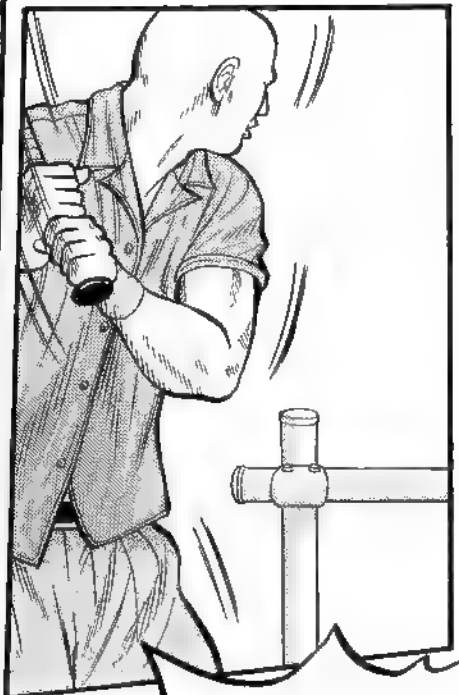




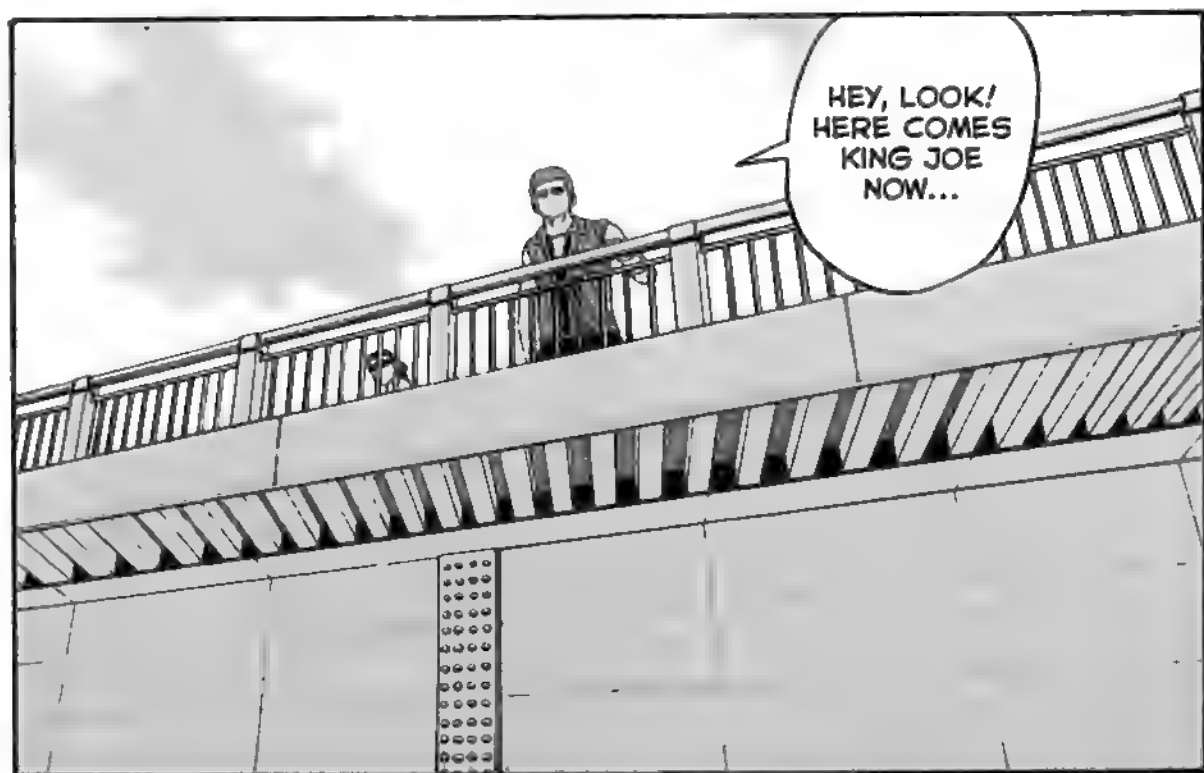
ALL RIGHT,
LET'S DO
THIS!

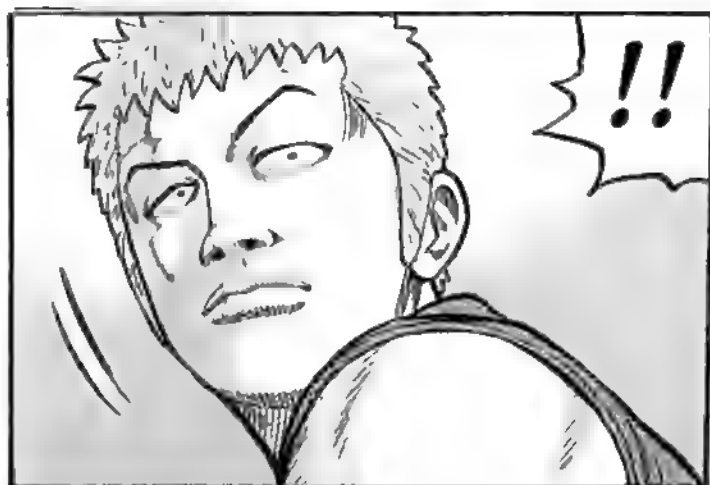
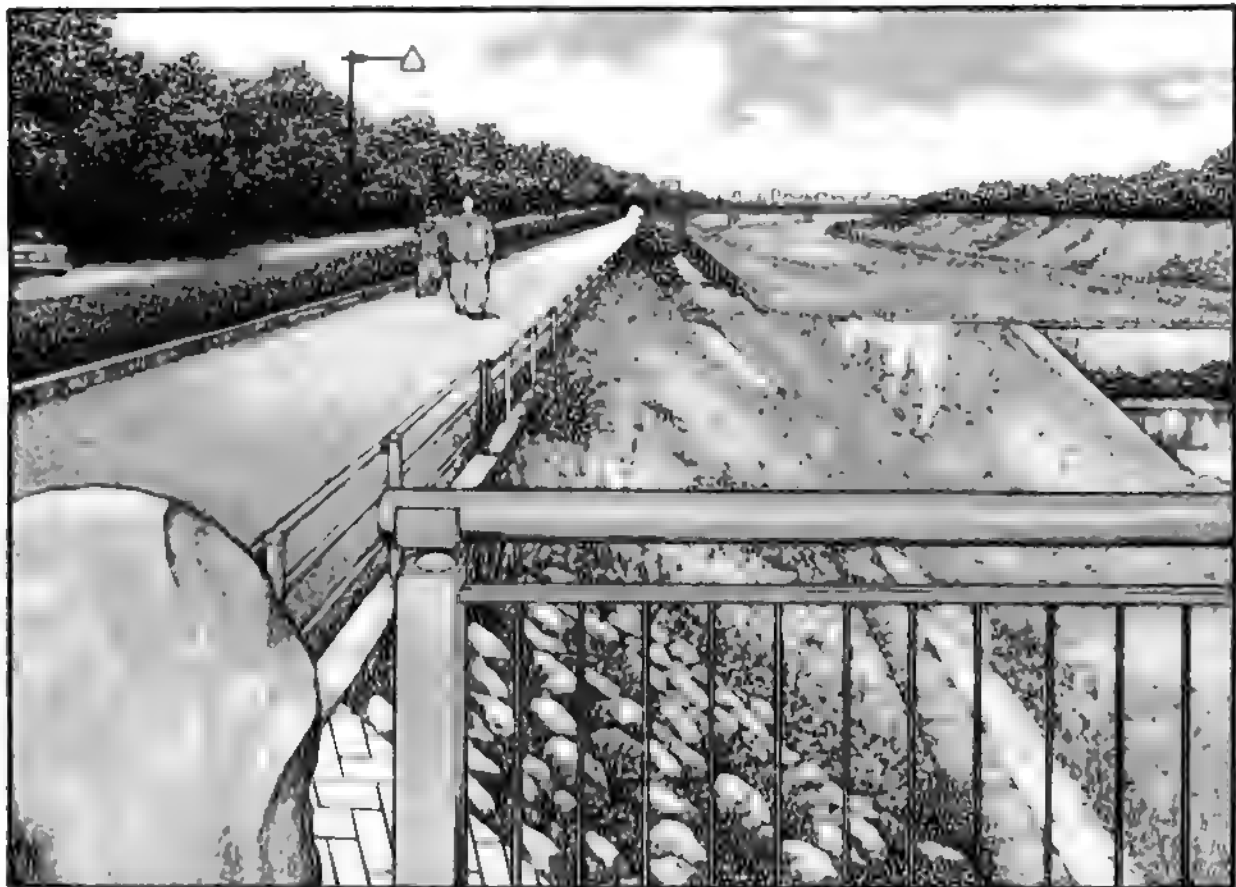
新生
MOL
THE VISITOR
小野木
タツキ
Vo. 平賀 勇一
B. 山根 達一
G. 井上 達一
DS. 梅村 達一
栗島博通

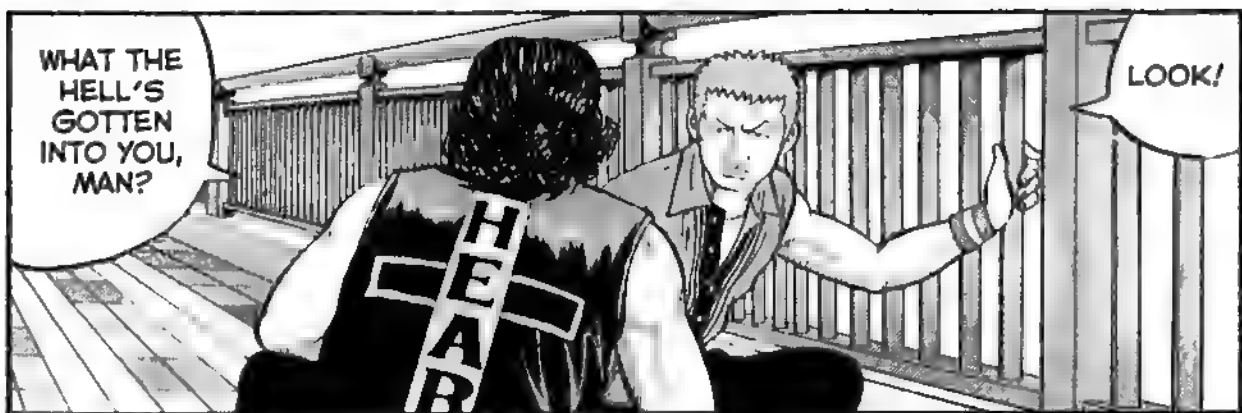
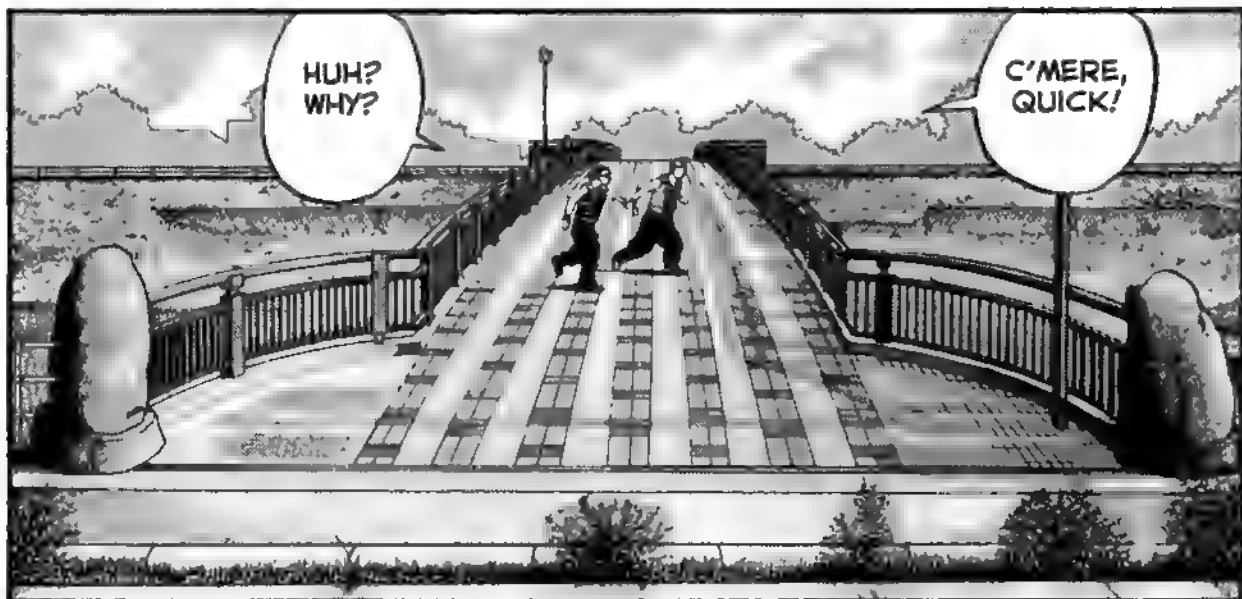
WOOOO



**LET'S
GO,
BOYS!**











BOOK: DRIVER'S LICENCE TEST QUESTIONS

LET'S SEE...
THIS SIGN HERE
MEANS...
ER...

IT'S
B-
BULL!

EXACTLY!
FURUKAWA
OSAMU,
HEAD
OF THE
KUROTAKI
ALLIANCE!

普通免許
テスト問題

FFF
LICENSE
033
並

!!

AND THAT
GUY WITH
HIM IS
KADOZUMI*
FROM
KUROSAKI!!

BOOM

BOOM

BOOM

BOOM

*T/N: KAKUKEN.





HIROSHI TAKAHASHI'S

クローズ

CROWS

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"El Psy Congroo."

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RAW PROVIDER

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